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Alfei Menashe head: Gov't allowing building to resume

HERB KEINON

THE Housing Ministry has agreed to lift the building freeze imposed on the Samarian settlement of Alfei Menashe, and has allowed the local council to continue the planning of a new neighborhood, local council head Shlomo Katan told other council members recently.

Councillor Aharon Gross said he was told by Katan that Housing Minister Benjamin Ben-Eliezer had agreed to the construction of the new neighborhood, to be called Givat Tal, just southeast of the current settlement. Plans for the neighborhood, which is contain several hundred housing units, were frozen soon after Yitzhak Rabin became prime minister two years ago.

Gross said, however, that he had not seen anything in writing.

Another council member, Avi Ben-Rafael, said he was told by Katan that at a meeting the latter held three weeks ago with Ben-Eliezer, it was agreed in principle to go ahead with plans for Givat Tal. But, Ben-Rafael said, it will take a long time before the plans are realized.

More immediately, however, Ben-Rafael said that Katan and Ben-Eliezer had agreed to lift the freeze on 170 housing units in varying stages of early construction in the Tzavta B neighborhood, on which work was stopped when the Labor government came into power.

When asked whether the settlement has received new government approval to build, Katan answered "I cannot confirm or deny this."

Local activist Dalia Nahum said that Katan, at a ceremony at an Alfei Menashe school two weeks ago, said openly that the settlement has received government approval for the projects.

Community leaders said that a decision to continue developing Alfei Menashe would be a signal that the government intends to hold on to the settlement in any agreement with the Palestinians. Alfei Menashe, a 15 minute drive from Kfar Saver, has 4,500 residents.

Yehuda Meiri, director of the Housing Ministry's central district, denied that any decision has been made to lift the freeze, or proceeding with the construction of Givat Tal. He said that Katan and Ben-Eliezer met about the issue, but he was not aware that a decision had been reached.



Economics Minister Shimon Shetreet (left) and Betar council head Moshe Leibowitz inspect a map of the Jerusalem region yesterday during a tour by the Public Committee for Greater Jerusalem. Founder and committee head Shetreet said the border between Jerusalem and the autonomous Palestinian areas would be determined in the coming months, and he is fighting for the border to include all of metropolitan Jerusalem – which he defined as Gush Etzion, Betar, Ma'aleh Adumim, and Givat Ze'ev. 'We must act to strengthen the national consensus in favor of greater Jerusalem,' said Shetreet. (Text: Bill Hutman; photo: Brian Hendler)

Arad not being held by Syria, ministry says

STEVE RODAN

THE Defense Ministry last night discounted German reports that missing air force navigator Ron Arad is being held by Syria, saying the information is not new and calling it doubtful.

"Intelligence bodies in Israel base their evaluation on better information than that in the Stasi [former East German intelligence] files," said ministry spokesman Oded Ben-Ami.

He added that valuable, up-to-date information had recently been gleaned from the interrogation of captured Shi'ite leader Mustafa Dirani that contradicts the Stasi information quoted in a German television documentary.

German sources said last night that Israel and Syria are negotiating for Arad's release as part of a deal including Israeli withdrawal from the Golan Heights.

The sources helped research a documentary called *Report*, broadcast by the ARD German television channel last night, which described secret KGB documents on the fate of Israeli soldiers missing in action in Lebanon. They said Israel has known for several years that Arad is being held by Syria.

"It looks like today Ron Arad is still in the hands of Syria, not Iran," a German source said. "The issue is being dealt with in the peace negotiations. The Israelis are asking that Arad be released as part of a goodwill gesture."

A document marked "top secret" and dated March 3, 1989 said Arad was captured by the Syrian-aligned Amal militia and transferred to Syria. "He is being held by the movement in west Beirut, under the auspices of the Syrians," the document said.

Nevertheless, to the best of Israel's knowledge, Arad was not held by Syria in the late 1980s, OC Air Force Maj.-Gen. Herzl Bodinger said yesterday.

Bodinger, speaking to military correspondents on the eve of Air Force Day, said that as one who is privy to information on Arad's whereabouts, he can only say that "Ron Arad was not held by Syria ... Arad is alive and being held by Iranian surrogates."

Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin yesterday refused to comment on the German television report. He put the blame for Arad's imprisonment on Dirani, the Hizbullah, and Iran. Asked whether he also blames Syria, Rabin replied: "Syria could have done more [to release Arad]."

Rabin told Knesset reporters he does not react to media reports. However, he added that, "We have significant information regarding what happened to Arad until 1988-1989. [However,] I will not go into details."

Israel has made many efforts to bring the missing soldiers home, said Rabin. "Most of these efforts are unknown, and not everything that is published is correct."

He said the government would continue making efforts to find out about the fate of its soldiers. "It was not for nothing that we risked our soldiers and helicopter pilots to bring Dirani here in order to establish certain facts about the past [and] to establish facts about who is holding Arad now, even though we are not certain about his fate," said Rabin. "We will continue the efforts."

For years, Israel has maintained that Arad is being held by Iranian elements. Rabin has not denied that negotiations were held in 1989 to release Arad, but has repeatedly stated the government's position that Arad was captured by Amal and handed over to Iran.

The German documentary makers dispute this. "Syria is actually the force that has Arad," said *Report* producer Richard Haim Schneider. "We are more or less convinced that this story is correct."

Schneider said that in 1989 Israel, Syria, East Germany and the Soviet Union participated in a prisoner exchange. Under the proposal, Arad and at least one other IDF soldier, along with the bodies of other MIAs, would be exchanged for two Soviet spies, Marcus Klingberg and Shabtai Kalmanovich.

The negotiations were conducted by Israeli attorney Amnon Zichroni and German attorney Wolfgang Vogel. Vogel had maintained that Arad was dead. Both men have refused to comment.

As a result, the KGB released documents to the East German Stasi regarding the fate of the MIAs. The documents said Arad was alive along with either Yosef Fink or Rahamim Alsheikh, abducted in 1986 by Hizbullah in southern Lebanon.

A KGB document dated March 3, 1989 also said that Zachary Baumel, Zvi Feldman, and Yehuda Katz were killed in the 1982 Battle of Sultan Yaakoub, when they tried to take over a Syrian T-72 tank. The three were buried in a suburb of west Beirut, it said.

The assertion disputes the assessment of US and Israeli sources, who say the three MIAs were in separate tanks in the battle. Baumel and Feldman were last seen lying near their crippled tank.

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US Jews ask Rabin for Golan clarification

DAVID MAKOVSKY

AMERICAN Jewish leaders have asked Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin to publicly clarify his position on a US presence on the Golan Heights in the event of a peace agreement, to stem brewing opposition by congressional Republicans, sources said.

American Jewish leaders said they were told privately that Israel is only seeking an American component to a multinational force, whose job would be to monitor enforcement of a deal on the Golan, and not serve as an independent fighting force.

Indeed, after Rabin appeared at a closed-door session of the Knesset foreign affairs and defense committee last month, reporters were told that the prime minister sought a monitoring force, rather than a fighting force, on the Golan, much like the one now located in the Sinai.

If this was clarified, American support for a US presence in the area would increase, an American Jewish official said.

So far, Rabin has refrained from making any public statements on the matter, saying it was too soon to discuss it publicly.

Attempting to clarify matters, Israel's Ambassador to Washington Itamar Rabinovich briefed a select group of American Jewish political activists last week, and assured them that Israel wanted only a monitoring force.

But those in the US concerned with the issue remain confused. Even former secretary of defense Les Aspin, while visiting here earlier this month, said he thought Israel sought the deployment of up to a division of US fighting troops.

Rabin is believed to oppose this, fearing it could only constrain Israel and hurt relations with the US.

Moreover, a division contains up to 10,000 men, while the US component in the Sinai monitoring operation is deemed to be less than 1,000 men.

Meanwhile, five Republican senators, led by Sen. Al D'Amato (New York) sent a letter to President Bill Clinton recently, voicing opposition to the deployment of American troops on the Golan. Two weeks ago, the House Republican study committee held an informal briefing on this subject, in a bid to stir opposition.

Deputy Foreign Minister Yossi Beilin has accused some Congressional Republicans of working with some American Jewish and Israeli right-wing groups, in a bid to use the US troops issue as way of torpedoing the Israeli-Syrian peace talks.

Also yesterday, a Western diplomat said US Secretary of State Warren Christopher is likely to arrive in the region on July 12 or 13, in an attempt to revive the Israeli-Syrian talks.

"I think it is likely that the secretary of state will come, although nothing has been announced. He has approximately a week at his disposal before he heads off to the annual ASEAN meeting in the Far East," he said.

Christopher would be arriving in the region after attending the annual meeting of the top seven industrialized countries (G-7), which is to be held in Naples.

The Western diplomat refused to answer a question about whether the US would step up its involvement in the Israel-Syrian negotiations by making its own bridging proposal.

It is far from certain whether talks will progress in the absence of such a proposal. Talks between Jerusalem and Damascus made virtually no progress during Christopher's visit to the region last month.

Bank of Israel takes steps to cool down inflation

JOSE ROSENFELD, EVELYN GORDON and GALIT LIPKIS BECK

THE Bank of Israel announced yesterday that it will raise interest rates half a percentage point on Thursday to help cool down inflation, which has heated up beyond the government's 8 percent inflation goal for the year.

The move will bring interest rates on the central bank's daily loans to commercial banks to 12%.

Bank of Israel Governor Jacob Frenkel justified the rise by citing the recent jump in consumer prices, which has pushed inflation to an annual rate of 14%. By raising interest rates, Frenkel expects to minimize the deviation from the government's stated inflation goal. The Bank of Israel said that its policy to fight inflation will be made more effective if it is supported by a fiscal policy that encourages lower government spending and smaller budget deficits. Frenkel criticized the recent very costly public sector wage settlements, and encouraged the government to moderate price rises of goods under its control, and to implement its housing reform program.

Commercial banks wasted no time in reacting to the decision. All five major banks announced yesterday they would raise prime lending rates 0.5% as of Friday. Leumi was the first to announce the rise, while Bank Hapoalim, Israel Discount Bank, United Mizrahi Bank and First International Bank quickly followed.

Credit card companies are expected to increase interest rates on credit transactions in the near future.

In a terse statement issued yesterday, the Treasury attacked the central bank's decision.

"Raising interest rates now is mistaken from the point of view of economic growth and from the perspective of inflation. The Ministry of Finance will continue to conduct a growth policy while dealing with the real causes of inflation. The Treasury hopes the Bank of Israel will join it in implementing such policy," the statement said.

But MK Silvan Shalom (Likud), chairman of the Knesset finance committee's capital markets subcommittee, praised the Bank of Israel's move, saying it was dictated by necessity.

However, Shalom added, all the Bank of Israel's efforts won't be enough if the Treasury doesn't change its policies, such as its huge handouts to Kupat Holim and the overly generous public-sector wage agreements.

Federation of Israeli Chambers of Commerce President Danny Gillerman termed the interest rate hike "a wretched move which ignores the economy's situation and that is liable to slowdown the economy and lead to a recession."

Dan Propper, president of the Manufacturer's Association, said the raising of interest rates would have no real effect on inflation.

Israeli industry will only suffer as a result of the rise, he said. "The Bank of Israel must consider the market's goals and look at the long term. Even if the price of vegetables or imported fuel rises, interest rates have no influence on these."

But Frenkel deflected the criticism, and noted that the central bank could not bring down inflation by itself. "Without cooperation, the Bank of Israel's monetary policy will only partly succeed," said Frenkel.

Dollar hits post-WW2 low against yen

JOSE ROSENFELD and news services

THE dollar yesterday dropped to a new post-World War II low against the Japanese yen, as central banks' efforts to shore up the ailing currency failed.

In early New York trading, despite earlier attempts by Japan's central bank to halt the rout, the dollar sank to 99.60 yen, breaking through the low of 99.85 yen set last Tuesday. In late trading Friday, the dollar was at 100.42 yen.

The dollar was also weak against the German mark, falling to a new 1994 low of DM1.5745 from 1.5845 Friday.

Currency dealers said the dollar still had some way to go before reaching bottom.

"A weaker dollar will help dampen inflation in Israel," said Economic Modeling and Forecasting head Jonathan Katz. Katz said dollar-priced imports dominate the country's trade. Since the shekel's value is set against a currency basket that includes the dollar, the yen and three European currencies, the impact of the sharp dollar fall is partially offset by the rise of the remaining currencies. As a result, dollar-denominated goods are becoming cheaper against the shekel.

A cheaper dollar also means that Israeli exports to the US will be less profitable, while exports to Europe and Japan will be more profitable.

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Israel, PLO due to resume talks today

ALON PINKAS

ISRAEL and the PLO are expected to resume autonomy talks today in the Gaza Strip, Israeli and Palestinian sources said yesterday.

While an agenda has not been set, PLO negotiator Nabil Shaath said it is a "preparatory meeting designed to discuss the problematic aspects of autonomy."

The unresolved issues include the continued release of Palestinian prisoners by Israel, the size of Jericho, which has not been precisely determined yet, and the expansion of some powers of the autonomy into other areas in the territories.

"We need to establish several committees to deal with these problems," he said, adding that Israel is responsible for the delays which held up the negotiations.

Deri to seek dismissal of indictment against him

EVELYN GORDON

THE preliminary arguments in the trial of former interior minister Aryeh Deri (Shas) will begin today in Jerusalem District Court, with an attempt by Deri to persuade the court to throw out the indictment against him.

Deri is being charged with bribe-taking, fraud, violating the public trust and falsifying corporate documents. He will formally plead innocent or guilty to those charges this morning.

The preliminary arguments are mostly technical in nature. The main portion of the trial is not scheduled to start until September 1.

According to documents presented to the court yesterday, Deri's lawyer, Dan Avi-Yitzhak, intends to argue that the indictment should be thrown out to avoid a gross miscarriage of justice. Such a massive amount of material was collected during Deri's investigation that it is impossible to examine it all, and therefore it is impossible to prepare a proper defense, the documents argued.

If this plan of attack fails, however, Avi-Yitzhak intends to make a number of procedural requests. First, he will ask that the indictment be separated into two parts, since it is a joint indictment against four people – Deri and Shas activists Yom Tov Rubin, Moshe Weinberg and Arye Weinberg.

Since some of the charges in the indictment relate only to the other three, the joint indictment means that Deri will have to sit through lengthy portions of a trial that have nothing to do with him.

Avi-Yitzhak also plans to ask that the four charges that do relate to Deri be combined. The separation of the charges makes it is possible for the court to impose a stiffer punishment if Deri is found guilty, since the sentences for each of the four charges can be made cumulative.

Avi-Yitzhak will also ask to make some corrections to the indictment. The prosecution has submitted a similar request.

Finally, Avi-Yitzhak plans to ask that the defense be allowed to see all the material collected by the police in their investigations overseas, including that obtained by "unconventional methods." So far, he said, not all of this material has been made available to the defense.

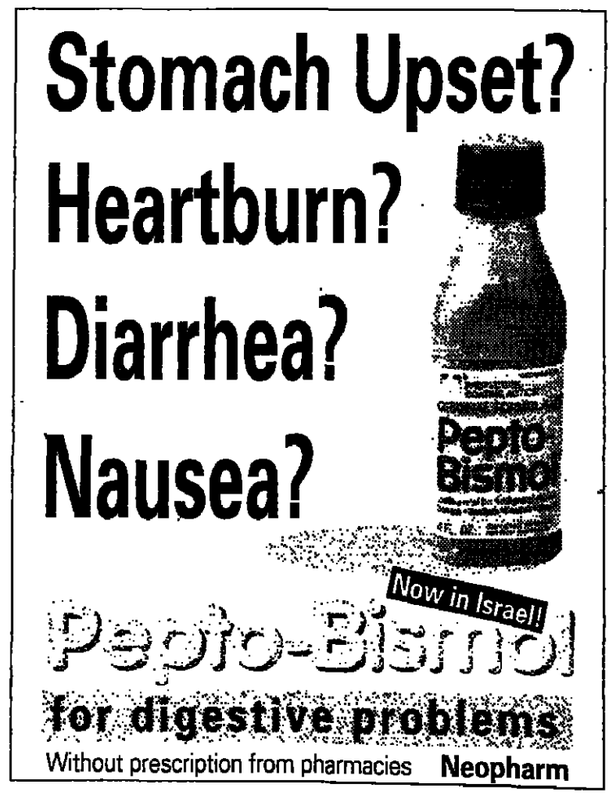
According to the indictment, between 1985 and 1990, Deri received more than $150,000 from the other three people listed in the indictment, in exchange for using his influence at the Interior Ministry to help various associations in which the four were involved.

In one case, the four allegedly concocted a scheme to defraud various ministries of NIS 787,000 for the benefit of one of these associations.

In another, an organization in which Deri was involved sold land to religious families to build homes. It later turned out that the land wasn't zoned for residential construction, and the organization was threatened with numerous lawsuits. To protect it, Deri allegedly used his clout at the Interior Ministry to get alternative plots of land for the affected families, which were actually worth more.

A third charge relates to Deri's appointment of Moshe Weinberg as head of the Lehavim local council, though Weinberg lacked the necessary qualifications.

The case will be heard by Judges Ya'acov Zemah, Miriam Naor and Moussia Arad. Yehoshua Resnick, head of the Justice Ministry's criminal division, will be appearing for the prosecution.





Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin and Labor Knesset faction head Eli Dayan chat after discussing the Shamgar Commission report in the Knesset yesterday. (Isaac Harari)

Rabin reports to Weizman, outlines challenges ahead

DAVID MAKOVSKY

THE government faces at least six major challenges before the end of its term, ranging from pursuing Middle East peace to the solvency of the pension funds, Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin wrote in a 232-page mid-term report submitted to President Ezer Weizman yesterday.

Rabin's report sought to balance areas of government success over the last two years with problems still ahead.

"We have not stopped the increase of housing prices, we have not healed the health system, we have not solved the pension fund system, and we have not rehabilitated the defense industries," he wrote.

On the domestic front, the prime minister also stressed the need to reduce inflation.

On the peace front, Rabin pledged to move ahead in negotiations with Arab neighbors. He proudly noted that the Oslo accords, apart from making progress on the Palestinian front, also led to Israeli officials being invited to Persian Gulf countries for the first time.

At the same time, Rabin bluntly wrote that a flaw of the government's peace policy was in not generating greater public support. Under the category of "not carried out," Rabin wrote: "The government has not constructed nor implemented an effective public relations and media strategy alongside progress on the peace process. There has not been an intragovernmental effort to coordinate public statements, explaining the process and what has been achieved.

"Lacking is a single theme and the means needed to get the message across. Instead there are too many messages reaching the public. The result is a gap between results of the peace process and the feeling of the public," Rabin wrote.

At the same time, Rabin said during the last two years the government has strengthened the economy, lowered unemployment, increased infrastructure, and bolstered funds for education. "The situation in the country is several times better than June, 1992," Rabin wrote, alluding to the last elections, when he rose to power.

Rabin said the government has improved public housing for immigrants, but ignored the fact that the level of immigration from the former Soviet Union is a little over half what it was when he took office.

Rabin to use Shamgar Commission as basis for cracking down on extremists

DAN IZENBERG

PRIME Minister Yitzhak Rabin described the Shamgar Commission report as "very, very serious and painful," and said the government would do its best to implement all of its recommendations, including those dealing with law enforcement against Jewish extremists.

Rabin told Labor MKs the cabinet had instructed him to prepare the necessary measures for implementing the commission's recommendations, and asked the faction not to discuss the report in the meantime.

He said he would use the report as a launching pad for cracking down on Jewish extremists in the administered territories who take the law into their own hands. At the same time, he said the difficulties in enforcing the law stemmed from the fact that the army had to cope with Palestinian terrorism and settler lawlessness at the same time.

"We must understand that the complexity of the situation in the territories is what creates the difficulties [in that we must] cope with two fronts simultaneously," said Rabin.

Nonetheless, he acknowledged that the commission was correct in pointing out the government's problems in enforcing the law.

"We have difficult problems," said Rabin. "I do not want to say how long it takes to bring a suspect to trial. It can take two or three years. You don't see results in six months. The reality is very difficult, and the commission revealed it all sharply and imposed upon us the responsibility for implementing its recommendations. We will do the most and the best we can."

Rabin attributed some of the government's difficulties in handling Jewish lawbreakers to the Association of Civil Rights in Israel, which has contested the government's use of administrative detention orders against Jewish extremists.

"Let them continue being a nuisance...," said Rabin, before catching himself. "Let them go on submitting petitions to the High Court. Maybe they are trying to offset some of their other activities."

Rabin was asked about the army's open-fire orders but told the faction he did not want to discuss them because the issue was complicated.

"Soldiers are instructed that they can open fire if their lives are in danger," said Rabin. "We are forcing reservists or 18-year-old soldiers to determine for themselves what constitutes a life-threatening situation.

"Why are the open-fire orders not simple? Because the situation isn't simple," said Rabin.

Israeli pilots fly MiG-29

ALON PINKAS

FOUR high-ranking Israeli pilots recently flew the advanced Soviet-made MiG-29 fighter jet in Romania, according to the new edition of *Israel Air Force* magazine.

The MiG-29, used by the Iraqi, Iranian and Syrian air forces, is considered the premier Soviet-made jet. The pilots, one a brigadier-general, flew the MiG-29 four times, each time for 20 minutes. Brig.-Gen. D., head of the air force's operational wing, said that the MiG-29 is "energetic, maneuverable, responsive and well-equipped. I would place it somewhere between the Phantom and the F-16."

All pilots remarked that despite some of its advantages, the MiG-29 is still inferior to comparable Western-made jets.

IAF to start receiving surplus US F-16s

ALON PINKAS

BEGINNING next month, the air force will start receiving several dozen US Air Force F-16A/B fighter jets, as part of a "drawdown" from US stockpiles, air force commander Maj.-Gen. Herzl Bodinger said yesterday.

The total number of F-16s was not disclosed, but it exceeds 50, according to previous reports. Following the Gulf War and the downsizing of the US military presence in Europe, the Bush administration committed itself to delivering $700 million to $900m. worth of military hardware from US stockpiles to Israel. This includes the F-16s, plus Apache attack helicopters and Blackhawk helicopters which are to arrive by September.

Bodinger told military correspondents that in the last fiscal year, the air force underwent two major developments: Operation Accountability in Lebanon and the decision to purchase the state-of-the-art McDonnell Douglas F-15I.

"In Operation Accountability the air force flew over 1,300 sorties, which contributed immensely to our operational experience. That, and other things, makes the air force the strongest and most potent air force in the region," said Bodinger.

Olmert plans Old City blockade to stop Arafat's expected visit

BILL HUTMAN

JERUSALEM Mayor Ehud Olmert and his right-wing city hall coalition plan to organize a human blockade of the Old City to torpedo PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat's expected visit.

Officially, city leaders have yet to announce their plans to stop Arafat from coming to Jerusalem, and are trying to keep them secret.

But yesterday, after the first meeting of city leaders on the matter, various details of the plan were obtained by *The Jerusalem Post*.

Deputy Mayor Shmuel Shkedi revealed that city leaders hope several hundred thousand anti-Arafat demonstrators will surround the Old City on the day of the PLO chairman's visit.

Thousands of demonstrators will halt traffic at the major intersections leading into the city, and inside the city itself, according to Shkedi.

Deputy Mayor Shmuel Meir said City Hall will call for a general strike to protest the visit and allow workers to take part in the demonstrations.

Meir said that at key points elsewhere in the country there would also be large demonstrations to protest Arafat being allowed into Jerusalem.

Overall, between 300,000 to 500,000 demonstrators are expected in Jerusalem, and another half a million elsewhere in the country, according to Meir.

At least several thousand Jews from abroad are expected to take part in the demonstrations. Shkedi said their impact would be mainly symbolic, showing "Jews everywhere are against the visit of Arafat in Jerusalem."

The city leaders are scheduled to meet every morning until Arafat arrives to prepare for the protests. They said that they had information he would arrive as early as next week.

Shkedi, who was put in charge of raising funds for the effort by Olmert, said that "millions of dollars" would be raised, and that no city money would be used.

"We must not allow this evil to enter into our midst," Shkedi said.

All eight deputy mayors were given specific responsibilities to prepare for the protests.

Deputy Mayor Meshulam Amit, in charge of coordinating the protests on the day of Arafat's visit, said "all legal mean possible will be used."

"I have no problem with Arafat visiting, if he announces beforehand it is a private, religious visit, that he accepts Israel's sovereignty over Jerusalem, and that he has given up the idea of founding a Palestinian state," Amit said.

US may give Palestinians special trade status

JOSE ROSENFELD

THE US is considering granting a special trade status to the Palestinian autonomous areas to encourage their economic development, Industry and Trade Minister Micha Harish said yesterday.

During talks with US Commerce Secretary Ron Brown and US Trade Representative Mickey Kantor last week, Harish was told that the Americans want to give the Palestinian self-rule areas General System of Preferences (GSP) trade status, which provides developing nations preferential trade terms, including lower tariffs for their exports.

The US government has introduced legislation which will amend present law to apply to areas that are not independent states, so that the Palestinian autonomous areas could be included, said Harish.

The officials noted the changes are being made in coordination with Israel.

Harish said the government agrees in principle to the change, as part of the means to assist in promoting economic growth in the autonomous areas.

"The Americans were so sensitive to our interests on this issue, that they took the trouble to change the criteria of who is eligible to receive GSP status, so that the granting of such status to the autonomous areas would not be construed as recognizing it as an independent Palestinian state," said Harish.

However, during negotiations on the economic agreement with the Palestinians, Israel insisted the Palestinians agree on a customs union to enable the autonomous areas to benefit from Israel's existing trade agreements with the US and Europe.

Ministry officials were unavailable last night to explain why the government is not asking the US to include the autonomous areas in the US-Israel Free Trade Area.

SOCIAL & PERSONAL

The monthly luncheon of the Skal Club, Tel Aviv, will take place at 1 p.m. today at the Tel Aviv Sheraton. Guest speaker: MK Haggai Merom.

Husseini's bodyguard suspected of heading illegal police force

BILL HUTMAN

ONE OF Palestinian leader Faisal Husseini's bodyguards has been detained by police in connection with the alleged attempt to set up a Palestinian police force in eastern Jerusalem.

Yesterday, Police Minister Moshe Shahal and Inspector-General Assaf Hefetz deplored the attempt to set up a Palestinian police force in the capital.

They said they would not tolerate Palestinians trying to carry out police operations in Jerusalem.

Husseini said he had no knowledge of 24-year-old Yussef Hawash's involvement.

Yesterday, Hawash and five Palestinians from eastern Jerusalem were brought before a Jerusalem Magistrate's Court judge. All but one were remanded until the completion of court proceedings.

Hawash and the others allegedly set up a police force that operated for several months in eastern Jerusalem before being uncovered two weeks ago by police.

They allegedly detained and interrogated other Palestinians on a range of "charges," from robbery and illicit drug possession to prostitution. At least 10 specific instances in which the Palestinian police force operated in Jerusalem are known to police. Investigators believe there were dozens of other such incidents.

Jerusalem Police chief Arye Amit noted that many of those detained or interrogated by the Palestinian police are afraid to come forward.

The Israel Police were only able to uncover the Palestinian policemen after two months of undercover work, according to the police spokesman. The suspects, from the Old City, all carried cards with their photographs identifying them as Palestinian policemen, the spokesman said.

The Palestinian policemen allegedly used violence against their suspects, in several cases beating them to the point where they had to be hospitalized. They also stole from them, telling them the money or jewelry would go to Palestinians in Israeli jails, police said.

ARAD

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Katz was left wounded in a tank that was later hit by an enemy shell.

Baumel's father, Yona, last night also discounted the German report. "We examined files of the Stasi and the KGB and the information that has now surfaced is inconsistent with the information we have." Yona Baumel said he relies on the assurances by the prime minister that Israel's information regarding the MIAs is the best available.

The KGB document also reviewed Israel's efforts to bring back the body of IDF soldier Samir Assad. On Sept. 13, 1991 Assad was returned to Israel in a deal with the Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine.

The KGB documents were found translated in German in the archives of the former East German intelligence service several weeks ago by Israeli professor Michael Wolfson. Wolfson, author of *Eternal Guilt?. 40 Years of German-Jewish Relations*, said when he made this discovery he telephoned Israeli diplomats in Bonn.

Wolfson said the Soviets pressured Syria to agree to negotiations on Arad. He said Moscow wanted the return of Klingberg and Kalmanovich, particularly the former, one of Israel's biologists sentenced to life in prison and who according to foreign press reports was involved in chemical warfare research.

"Klingberg was much more important," Wolfson said. "Kalmanovich was secondary."

Wolfson said the talks lasted between November 1987 and September 1989. East Germany's Vogel dealt with Israel and the Soviets. Moscow discussed a prisoner exchange with Syria.

East Germany's interest in the prisoner deal was to win US support, Wolfson said. "Like other antisemitic regimes, they first turned to the Jewish lobby, thinking they could get the US to grant East Germany most-favored-nation status," he said. "So the East Germans got involved in Ron Arad and the MIAs."

Wolfson and Schneider said the talks over a prisoner exchange broke down soon after the IDF kidnapped Hizbullah Sheikh Abdul Karim Obeid in July 1989. The Syrians refused to consider an exchange until the furor of the Obeid abduction subsided.

Months later, the communist regime in East Germany, along with its Stasi, fell and Vogel's role ended. "I still can't speak about this," Vogel said in a telephone interview from Berlin yesterday. "It's all still too fresh."

Palestinian inmates, shop owners strike to press for prisoner release

JON IMMANUEL

THE Palestinian Prisoners' Committee yesterday renewed calls for a hunger strike and in some towns shops were closed in solidarity with their demand for a prisoner release.

Nablus Prison's 220 inmates went on a one-day strike. The prisoners' committee called for a general strike in the territories yesterday, but it was only partially observed.

Shops in Nablus and Ramallah closed all day. Jericho had its first strike since autonomy began, with shops closing for three hours in the morning. In Gaza, shops remained open, while in eastern Jerusalem, the strike was observed by about half the merchants.

Talks to resolve outstanding problems arising from the Cairo agreement are to resume tomorrow between Nabil Shaath and Maj.-Gen. Danny Rothschild. First among the issues is the fate of about 5,500 prisoners of whom 1,500 could leave if they signed an oath to remain in Gaza or Jericho and support the peace process.

The Mandela Institute, a Palestinian prisoners advocacy committee, said that in Tel Mond Rabiha Shteyeh was on the sixth day of a hunger strike to protest lack of treatment for liver cancer, but that no other prisoners were striking with her.

In Juneid jail, where the prisoners' committee is based, there was no strike.

Hamas activists released after being arrested in Gaza City

JON IMMANUEL and news agencies

PALESTINIAN police released two armed Hamas activists yesterday after arresting them Sunday in a car chase in Gaza City, Hamas and police sources said.

The sources said the two were apparently released without being charged. Police followed the two after they fired shots in the air at slain Hamas activist Nasser Salouha's house.

The arrests on Sunday night were the first the police are known to have made of armed Hamas activists since self-rule began in the Gaza Strip six weeks ago.

Rashid Abu Shubak, deputy head of the Preventive Security Agency, said the two were arrested because "they were carrying weapons without a license and no private citizen may do so."

Izzadin Kassam, the armed wing of Hamas, has said that its members would not voluntarily surrender weapons as long as they feel endangered by collaborators and settlers.

Hamas has been tense since Salouha, 22, was kidnapped and murdered last Thursday, apparently by the family of an alleged collaborator, and police are concerned about revenge attacks.

Izzadin Kassam said it was "prepared to take revenge" but stopped short of saying it would actually do so. Hamas leaders said they expected the police to arrest the killer. "The Islamic movement can have its revenge at any time, but prefers to leave it to the Palestinian police," said Sheikh Ahmed Bahr, considered a pragmatist.

A crowd estimated at tens of thousands, including senior police, attended Salouha's funeral on Friday.

Abu Shubak identified one of the arrested Hamas activists as Abdullah Muhanna, an administrative worker at the Islamic University, aged 30. Gaza sources said that he is considered a political but not a military activist.

It was not clear yesterday whether the guns the two were carrying would be confiscated or registered. Fatah activists on the police force are allowed to keep their weapons, but few Hamas activists are in the police force.

Rules adjusted on spouses of capital residents

People who marry a Jerusalemite with permanent residency status will automatically be granted residency status themselves, regardless of their sex, the Interior Ministry has decided. Previously, the wives of male non-citizen Jerusalem residents could obtain permanent residency, but the husbands of female non-citizen Jerusalem residents could not.

The new policy is in response to a petition to the High Court of Justice, filed by the Association for Civil Rights in Israel last year. It primarily affects Arabs in east Jerusalem, many of whom chose not to accept Israeli citizenship.

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'Russian Jewish community facing extinction within a generation'

THE Jewish community in Russia is facing extinction within a generation because of the high incidence of intermarriage and assimilation and the percentage of elderly persons in the community, a senior government official predicted yesterday.

This gloomy picture was painted by the head of the government's liaison bureau at a session on the future of Soviet Jewry at yesterday's meeting of the Jewish Agency Assembly. He said that 110,000 young Jews were leaving Russia annually and that attempts to create Jewish communal life would probably prove fruitless.

A different assessment was given by Haim Chesler, head of agency activities in the CIS. The Jewish community would remain viable, he said, even though its numbers would probably diminish.

Meanwhile, there is no immigration whatsoever from the intellectual centers of Russian Jewry, Zionist Forum head Natan Sharansky said.

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"Not a single Jew has arrived from Moscow or St. Petersburg in the last few months," Sharansky said, blaming Israeli society for failing to integrate academics from the former Soviet Union. He said these Jews preferred to go to Germany.

"Even the aliya from the Ukraine is from the provinces and not from Kiev," Sharansky said. "The intellectuals know they will not find work here in their fields and that Israeli society is closed to them."

Sharansky said that the immigrants had given their votes to the present government because it had promised to give aliya priority. "Where is that priority now?" he asked.

He slammed the education authorities for failing to teach Israeli youngsters how to welcome new immigrants in the schools. "The youth are supposed to be the hope of the future, those who succeed in integrating and then help their parents to integrate," he said.

"But the incidence of 14- to 17-year-olds who have dropped out of school, amongst the olim, has risen to 20%, and this amongst people for whom studying used to be holy," he said. "The youths say they feel too bad in the schools to want to study."

Sharansky added that crime was on the rise amongst immigrant youth from the CIS. In 1992, the percentage of immigrant youth involved in crime was 2%, but this rose to 13% in the past year, he said. "They don't arrive in Israel as criminals. They are turned into criminals by circumstances."

He was speaking to reporters in anticipation of a dialogue to be hosted tomorrow by President Ezer Weizman at Beit Hanassi, on the integration of immigrants in Israeli society.

Ministry to probe teachers' alleged illegal bus driving

THE Education Ministry has set up a committee to investigate allegations that two Holon teachers drove busloads of schoolchildren during a school trip in mid-March, even though they were not properly licensed.

The committee head will also meet with the parents of one of the pupils, Nadav Sherf, who alleged he had been subjected to serious mistreatment by teachers after his father reported the incident.

The committee is headed by the school inspector, Zvi Even-Bar, and consists of two representatives from the Holon Municipality and the head of the schools' safety program.

Even-Bar said, "We will have the facts today, or maximum tomorrow." However, he said that he would meet the boy's parents only tomorrow since they had not responded in time to his call, on a radio interview, that they contact him.

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"I am surprised that the incident was reported only at the end of May," Even-Bar said. "The boy's father was on the bus when it happened."

The pupils, eighth-graders from Holon's Katzenelson school, had been on a two-day trip to Eilat, Even-Bar said. On the second day of the trip, some of the children went camel-riding while others remained on the bus.

"It was a path in the desert and the teachers drove the buses very slowly alongside the camels," Even-Bar said. "There was no traffic there."

Meanwhile, Nadav Sherf said in an Israel Radio interview yesterday: "The teachers are out to get me since my father complained... I laughed at one of the rehearsals of our school play and the music teacher threw me out, even though I wasn't the only pupil who laughed. I have had nothing but hassles since the incident... I was never a perfect pupil and I had a clash here or there before with a teacher but I was never a punching-bag like this."

Katzenelson principal Tsilla Shefer said on the radio program that she had learned of the incident "by chance, in a conversation, two and a half months after it happened... I reprimanded the teachers, I did not realize that they had committed an offense."

She denied that the teachers were harassing Nadav, saying that he had always been a troublesome pupil.

Eilat's acting police chief, Supt. Michel Edan, said yesterday that if pupils or parents lodge a complaint against the teachers at any police station, Eilat police would check the incident, assuming it had occurred within the city limits.

Raine Marcus contributed to this report.



Deputy Housing Minister Eli Ben-Menahem (right), who heads the war against drugs, and Prisons Commissioner Arye Bibi examine a computerized drug analysis machine yesterday at a Prisons Service conference on drug addiction. (Yisrael Hadari)

'Project 2000' aims to develop Negev, Galilee

AMIR ROZENBLIT

A NEW concept in partnership between Diaspora communities and local needs is being organized by the Jewish Agency and aimed at spurring regional development in both the Negev and the Galilee.

Under the new project, dubbed "Partnership 2000," Diaspora communities will help sponsor regional projects; not just by funding them, but by having members actively involved in their planning and implementation. In this way it will differ from Project Renewal, which pinpointed specific needs in distressed communities, with the government and local authorities acting as middlemen.

The project was initiated by the agency's development and settlement department. This week, the agency's board of governors approved the first 10 partnerships in the project.

Ronit Dulev, the head of the development and settlement department, said the project serves two purposes: to help build up the country's peripheral areas and to strengthen the ties between Diaspora Jewry and Israel. In the next five years, she said, "many billions of dollars" could flow into the Negev and Galilee from donations, government matching funds, and investments.

The Negev was divided into 12 areas, and a general development plan mapped out for each of them, explained Yigal Yerushalmi, who heads the development and settlement department office in the South. The work was intensive, and master plans that usually take up to 18 months to draft took only four months.

"Then, we implemented a lesson we had learned from Project Renewal: If I want to get a community involved in regional development, I can't come to it with all the material processed and just say 'give money.' I come to the community leaders; I give them the overall 'platform,' and say, now, come explore with us where you can get involved and with what resources, and you will participate in the detailed planning."

Young cancer patients to Disney World

JUDY SIEGEL

TWO young cancer patients – an 11-year-old Jew from Alfei Menashe in Samaria and an eight-year-old Palestinian from Rafah in Gaza – will leave Thursday for a 10-day trip to Disney World in Orlando, Florida.

The trip is being financed by the Foundation for Hospice and Home Care, a US organization. It is the first time the foundation has funded such a program for children from outside the US.

Both children are being treated at the Children's Medical Center for Israel in Petah Tikva. "The trip will be good for both boys," said Dr. Yitzhak Yaniv, head of CMCI's bone-marrow transplantation unit yesterday. "They know each other and get along well."

Chaim Salinas of Alfei Menashe suffers from leukemia; he will undergo a bone-marrow transplant when he returns. Kishta Ma'ataz, of Rafah, has Burkitt's lymphoma and had bone-marrow transplant a few months ago; he is now in full remission.

ETV's 'New Evening' expanding its format

EDUCATIONAL Television's *New Evening (Erev Hadash)* current affairs program is expanding to include reports from the field and foreign features. Currently the program, broadcast weekday afternoons on Channel 1, has only studio-bound interviews and stories.

A spokeswoman for the station said there would be more features, arts and culture as well as current affairs.

The program is also aggressively eliciting more public service announcements to increase income.

Man suspected of stealing bones from Jaffa archeological site

RAINE MARCUS and Itim

A BNEI BRAK resident suspected of stealing 20 crates of human bones unearthed during excavations in Jaffa was remanded for four days in Tel Aviv Magistrates Court yesterday.

Police suspect that Yosef Keller, 29, drove a bus carrying around 20 haredim to the site of the excavations at 1 a.m. yesterday, attacked a guard and made off with the bones. Police are still searching for the remains and for other suspects who took part in the robbery.

Haredim claim that Antiquities Authority archeologists are digging on the site of Jewish graves, but the authority maintains the spot was formerly a Christian graveyard. In a recent agreement between police, haredim and the Antiquities Authority, excavators said they would avoid digging up human remains.

Police suspect that some 20 haredim attacked the guard and stole the crates containing the remains from his hut. The guard was beaten by Keller and then locked in the hut, according to police.

Police later found the bus allegedly used in the robbery, and arrested Keller near a local yeshiva. They believe his accomplices are students at the yeshiva, and said they have had difficulty obtaining search warrants to enter the institution.

In court, Keller said he worked for a private transport company and had been employed to drive the bus by the company. He was not aware of the purpose of the journey, he said, but was "merely doing his job."

"He knew the purpose of the ride perfectly well," said a police representative. When asked by the guard what he was doing at the site, Keller and others attacked him, said the representative. If released, he added, he would disappear and warn others.

Shortly after Keller's arrest, police received an anonymous phone call saying that if the suspect was not released, "we will look for him." The caller also promised he would come forward voluntarily for questioning.

Meanwhile, a Religious Affairs Ministry observer was removed from the site by the Antiquities Authority. A compromise between the Authority, the ministry and the police had called for the observer's presence, who was to mark the excavated graves and see to it that the bones were not interfered with.

Religious Affairs Ministry Director-General Ze'ev Rosenberg wrote to police and the Antiquities Authority, demanding the observer's return, and claiming his removal was a violation of the agreement.

The Antiquities Authority replied that police orders state no one is permitted on the site who is not an Authority employee, which is why the observer was barred from entering.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Bill on housewives' pension considered

The government is currently debating a bill which would eliminate the National Insurance Institute's discrimination against housewives, the Knesset state control committee was told yesterday.

Currently, the conditions for joining the NII's pension plan are more stringent for a housewife than for other people. Committee chairman David Magen (Likud) said that if the government bill didn't appear to be making progress, the committee would consider presenting legislation of its own on the subject.

New High Court petition filed against Shaki

A second petition demanding that MK Avner Shaki be put on trial was submitted to the High Court of Justice yesterday, by the Movement for Quality Government in Israel. The court has already issued a show-cause order on a similar petition, filed by Jerusalem attorney Uri Ganor.

The new petition argues that, in contrast to Attorney-General Michael Ben-Yair's position, there is enough evidence to try Shaki for theft for depositing donations in his private bank account, since, even though they weren't earmarked, most of the donors have stated they would consider this a misuse of their money.

Winning cards

In yesterday's Mifal Hapayis daily Chance card draw, the lucky cards were the ace of spades, ten of hearts, king of diamonds and nine of clubs.

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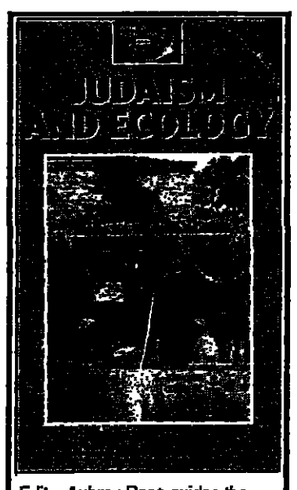
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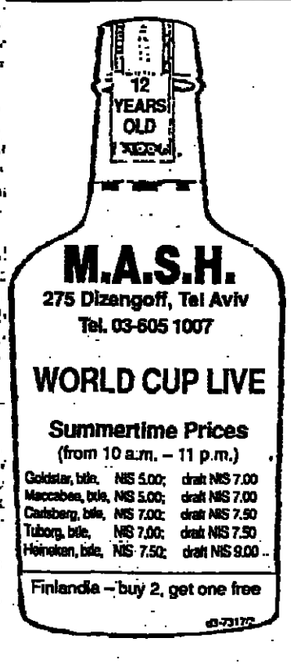


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The Herzliya - Kfar Shmaryahu Junction

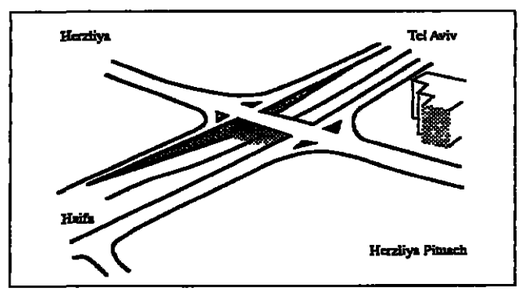
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New Traffic Regulations

for entering and exiting the Haifa - Tel Aviv Highway

The Herzliya-Kfar Shmaryahu Junction will be closed to traffic crossing and turning left.

For the entire duration of the roadworks, no vehicles will be able to cross from east to west or west to east. Furthermore, there will be no left turn into Herzliya Pituach for vehicles coming from the south, and no left turn into Kfar Shmaryahu and Herzliya for vehicles from the north.



For the duration of the junction's closure, three alternative junctions will be opened:

1. Tapuzim Junction
Left turn for vehicles coming from the north and traffic traveling towards Herzliya through Kfar Shmaryahu.

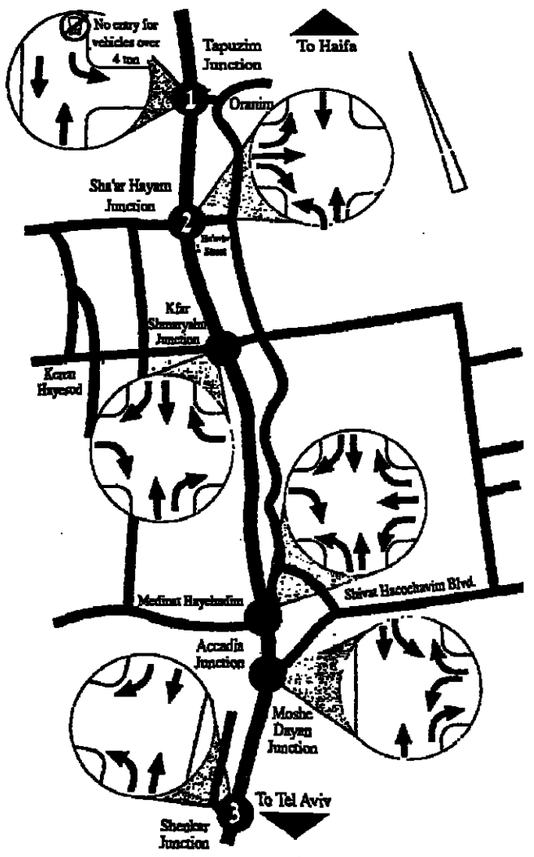
2. Sha'ar Hayam Junction
Exit from Nof Yam to the north and south, and east along Ha'aviv Street and Kfar Shmaryahu for vehicles traveling to Herzliya center. Furthermore, at this junction there will be a left turn for vehicles coming from the Tel Aviv direction.

3. Shenkar Junction
A new junction from which vehicles coming from the south can enter the Industrial Zone and from there continue to Herzliya Pituach.

Herzliya Kfar Shmaryahu Junction - Right turns only.

Accadia Junction - no change.

Moshe Dayan Junction - no change.



'Black box' to ensure proper delivery of perishable food

JUDY SIEGEL

THE Health Ministry will soon require all transporters of perishable food to install either passive or active refrigeration and a "black box" device that constantly records temperatures inside trucks.

Dr. Brian Coussin, head of the ministry's food services division, told *The Jerusalem Post* that he is not satisfied with transport conditions of foods that must be refrigerated or frozen, although "the situation is better now than it was a few years ago."

He was commenting on a survey by the Hotam Institute, published in *Ma'ariv* last week, that conducted taste tests of prepared chocolate milk among 200 children. The institute, which purchased the milk in cartons and plastic bags with expiration dates even a week after purchase, found that a tenth of all the samples were sour and had to be thrown away.

Coussin said that existing laws do not require refrigerated trucks for the transport of perishable foods, and about half of all trucks used for this purpose are merely insulated, without cooling systems. Although requiring all trucks to have a motorized refrigerator inside is currently impossible because of the expense, the ministry will demand that passive refrigeration be installed. This is a device that is plugged into electricity all night, becoming cool, and then placed in trucks to keep temperatures low.

The ministry official noted that sour milk products do not cause disease or even upset stomachs, since the milk products' own bacteria multiply and cause them to sour. "The stomach itself has the same acidity," he explained. However, the ministry's obligation is to ensure not only safety of food, but also high quality.

At present, perishable food in trucks may be as high as 10° Celsius. The ministry intends to lower this to seven degrees. It leaves the factory at no more than four degrees.

Coussin added that it is illegal, and a security risk, for groceries and other food outlets to leave perishable foods outside, and they must be refrigerated immediately. Customers who note violations should report them to the ministry or the nearest district health office.

US asked to join African 'Renaissance'

WASHINGTON (AP) – Africans yearn to move from poverty, despair, conflict and pessimism to a continent-wide renaissance, top African leaders told the first White House Conference on Africa.

They are moving toward self-reliance but still need debt relief, help and encouragement from America and other advanced countries, said Nelson Mandela, president of South Africa's first multiracial government.

Detailed messages from Mandela and from Salim A. Salim, secretary general of the Organization of African Unity, highlighted Sunday's opening sessions of the gathering of about 170 US experts on Africa from the business, government, academic and human rights communities.

The two African leaders and Clinton administration speakers strongly agreed on the need to resist pessimism spawned by the continent's enormous problems and conflicts.

President Clinton and Vice President Al Gore addressed final sessions yesterday afternoon.

"The terrible problems of African nations and the pessimism they can breed are matched only in scope by the continent's huge potential," said National Security Adviser Anthony Lake, welcoming the conferees.

But he cautioned that America's willingness to aid Africa is limited by shrinking budgets, reluctance to deploy troops and pessimism generated by declining economies and flareups of violence.

Mandela, in a giant videoscope projection, urged America to "play a pioneering role" in what he called an "African Renaissance felt not only in the corridors of political power but by an emerging partnership between the state, private sector and the populace at large."

He said the United States could choose between yielding to "the pessimism of false perceptions" about Africa in permanent decline and becoming "a leading partner in the most novel and challenging international project since the Marshall Plan" for European recovery from World War II.

"For many, many generations, praise will be unto those who rose to the challenge as Africa set on a new and great beginning," Mandela said.

He asked America to adopt "a more considerate approach" to resolving the continent's debt burden.

Unless debt forgiveness becomes a priority, Salim said, poverty could undermine popular support for Africa's impoverished and still-fragile elected governments and reforms.

African countries' total debts to foreign governments and banks have been estimated at about dlrs 180 billion.

Five years ago, one could easily count the small number of African countries that hold multiparty elections, but "today we can count how many do not," Salim said.

He said Africans should draw from US experience with ethnic tolerance and dealing peacefully with electoral defeat and dissent under democracy.

"The challenge Africa faces is how to ensure that the genuine identities of religion, ethnicity and tribe are accomodated without allowing bigotry and all forms of intolerance to exploit that accomodation ...." Salim said.

The OAU leader saluted not only Mandela but also "people like (former South African President) Frederick de Klerk," who, with Mandela, built the new South Africa. De Klerk, president of South Africa's last white minority government, is a vice president of the new republic.

Baram warns against extremism in capital

HAIM SHAPIRO

TOURISM Minister Uzi Baram said yesterday it would be a mistake for Jewish extremists to make Jerusalem the focus of conflict during the deliberations of the peace process.

"During negotiations for a lasting solution we need calm in Jerusalem," Baram told a press conference following a press tour of the city. "Jewish extremist groups think that by making Jerusalem an issue of contention they will win; but by threatening to make Jerusalem a 'second Belfast,' they are making us lose our advantage [over the Palestinians]."

In the Old City Baram pointed out work that had been done by the Jerusalem Development Corporation in recent months. This included cleaning the facades of buildings inside Jaffa Gate and building new roofs, metal awnings, and lighting facilities over the entrances to shops in the market.

The minister noted that tourism from abroad has been steadily increasing, but at the same time internal tourism by Israelis has been declining. This is due to the fact that more and more Israelis are taking advantage of cheap vacations being offered abroad, he said; but in the case of Jerusalem it also involves an unjustified feeling by many Israelis that the city is not safe.

Baram said that although Jerusalem hotels are already offering special deals for vacationing Israelis, they would have to cut their rates even more. He also called for massive hotel building in the city, a move which would also result in a drop in hotel prices.

The minister said he had told Jerusalem Mayor Ehud Olmert that, while the ministry normally matches municipalities and local councils in investments for tourist projects, in the case of Jerusalem the ministry would provide two-thirds, on condition the project is of a purely tourist nature.

Anti-UK activist held on Cyprus base

NICOSIA (Reuter) – An anti-British Cypriot activist, accused of damaging Queen Elizabeth's car when she visited Cyprus, was remanded in custody by a British base court yesterday for refusing to stop at a checkpoint.

Charis Aristidou, a 29-year-old doctor who strongly opposes the presence of British sovereign military bases in Cyprus, refused to stop at a police check-point at Akrotiri base on Sunday and was arrested after a resulting incident.

"He is remanded for two days and will be charged Wednesday. Some charges are likely to be very serious," said a bases spokesman.

Aristidou's father, Takis, also a doctor in the coastal town of Limassol, said his son would not stop or present his papers to bases police because he did not recognise their sovereign status.

Under international agreements, Cyprus gained independence from British colonial rule in 1960. Britain, a guarantor power together with Greece and Turkey, maintained two military bases.

Many Greek Cypriots developed strong feelings against the bases especially after 1974 when Turkey invaded and occupied the north part of Cyprus. Britain did not try to stop the invasion.

Aristidou was accused of damaging the queen's car during her visit to Cyprus for the October Commonwealth summit. He was charged with vandalism and attempting to escape from police custody but the charges were dropped at the recommendation of the island's attorney general.

A Cyprus government spokesman said the Akrotiri incident would be investigated following brutality allegations from Aristidou's father and lawyer. R



A hysterical Ruffa Gutierrez is hustled out of the Manila City Hall office yesterday. (AP)

Wailing Philippine actress returns prize

MANILA (AP) – As police hustled her lawyer away, a wailing Ruffa Gutierrez returned her Best Actress trophy yesterday but failed to persuade officials to stop a hearing into whether she won the award fraudulently.

The Manila municipal government virtually ground to a halt yesterday as most City Hall employees jammed a second floor conference room for a hearing into the bizarre events of last Wednesday's Manila Film Festival awards ceremony.

Miss Gutierrez and her co-star Gabby Concepcion were "named" Best Actress and Best Actor last Wednesday by the Philippine equivalent of the Academy Awards for their roles in a takeoff on the Lorena Bobbitt spouse-castration case.

Moments later, the auditing firm that tallied the ballots said the real winners were actor Edu Manzano and actress Aiko Melendez. One of the presenters, Miss Mauritius Viveka Babajee, left the country late Sunday to avoid threatened deportation for declaring Miss Gutierrez the winner.

Yesterday, Miss Gutierrez, second runner-up in the 1993 Miss World pageant, her mother Annabelle Rama and others were summoned to the mayor's office as part of an investigation into alleged fraud.

She arrived with the trophy. Her lawyer, Mario Reyes, said she was returning it to avoid scandal. Reyes suggested authorities drop the investigation.

But Vice Mayor Lito Atienza refused. Reyes began shouting and as tempers flared, police grabbed the lawyer and hustled him into a nearby room to cool off. Miss Gutierrez began wailing as her friend, actor Robin Hood "Bad Boy" Padilla, tried to defend Reyes.

Padilla was convicted earlier this year of illegal weapons possession and sentenced to 24 years in prison. He is free pending appeal.

Last year, Sen. Ernesto Maceda accused Miss Gutierrez and other entertainers of involvement in a high-class call-girl ring catering to friends and relatives of the Sultan of Brunei. She denied the charge.

Atienza said the investigation would proceed as planned.

First international commercial flight takes off from Haifa

HAIM SHAPIRO

HAIFA Airport handled its first international flight yesterday when an Arkia Dash 7 with 50 passengers took off for Antalya, the Turkish resort area on that country's southern Mediterranean coast favored by Israeli vacationers.

Speaking at a ceremony at the take-off, Haifa Mayor Amram Mitzna spoke of transforming the airport into a facility which would be able to handle charter flights from abroad, with passengers coming to Haifa from Europe for their vacations.

However Airports Authority spokesman Yehiel Amitai said yesterday that for now, the Authority would only be willing to provide airport services for flights such as the one that took off yesterday. The Authority had invested NIS 60,000 in internal construction for yesterday's flight, making it suitable for international passengers, he said.

In a letter from Airports Authority Director Motti Debi to Mitzna, Debi made clear that the Authority would only invest further funds in developing Haifa Airport in response to specific requests from carriers who wanted to bring flights into the Haifa Airport.

Knesset panel learns why 'Every Day's a Lovely Day'

LIAT COLLINS

IT sounded more like a gathering of the Yossi Sias fan club than a parliamentary discussion when the Knesset education committee met yesterday to discuss Sias's popular radio phone-in program.

Sias's program "Every Day's a Lovely Day" features callers of all types phoning in with problems. Many callers are lonely, needy or in some form of trouble. Large numbers of followers come to the radio station during the broadcasts and gather in the lobby for a chance to meet Sias.

Education committee chairman Avraham Burg noted that the committee rarely dealt with radio programs, to avoid interfering with broadcasting content, "but Sias is a phenomenon which can't be ignored. I don't know of another radio program which has such a positive relationship between the broadcaster and the community. Sias is a regular guy, a simple citizen who wants and can help those who need him."

MK Shaul Yahalom (NRP) declared Sias's secret to be the way he treats each caller with respect. "He makes it possible for people to call in without feeling embarrassed."

Moledet MK Yosef Ba-Gad took the compliment one stage further and said that it was preferable to stop "all the politics on radio and have more of this type of program, which would hasten the coming of the Messiah."

IBA Director-General Mordechai Kirschenbaum was more down to earth. He noted that listeners have developed a dependency on Sias and if the program were stopped or Sias moved to a different position they would be disappointed and possibly harmed.

Supreme Court rules against Satmar Hassidim on school district

HILLEL KUTTLER

WASHINGTON

THE US Supreme Court yesterday soundly defeated a Hassidic sect's final attempt to establish a separate school district for disabled children.

The court voted 6-3 against the Satmar Hassidim, citing the constitutional requirement to separate church and state matters.

Writing for the majority, Justice David Souter said the court does "not deny that the Constitution allows the states to accommodate religious needs by alleviating special burdens. However, accommodation is not a principle without limits. It is clear that neutrality as among religions must be honored."

The Satmar case, however, "fails the test of neutrality, because it singles out a particular religious sect for special treatment," Souter added.

The Satmar village of Kiryas Joel in upstate New York had been given permission by the state legislature in 1989 to establish the school district.

However, New York State's Appellate Court last year declared the school district unconstitutional, prompting the Satmars' appeal to the Supreme Court.

The Satmar Hassidim had claimed that the separate district was necessary because at nearby schools, the hassidic children were mocked for their unique dress and were taught Christian holiday songs.

Rift reported between Charles, queen over church

LONDON (Reuter) – The Palace declined to comment yesterday on a reported rift between Prince Charles and his mother Queen Elizabeth over reforming the historic links between the throne and the Church of England.

The heir to the throne provoked a vigorous debate in the British press at the weekend after reportedly hinting at plans to loosen the ties between church and crown during an interview to be broadcast later this week.

But palace officials refused to be drawn into controversy, declining comment on the prince's views about the monarch's position as head of the Church of England until the interview is broadcast in full tomorrow.

Press reports say the prince believes the church should be "disestablished" – deprived of its status as the official religion – because Britain has become a multi-racial, multi-faith nation.

Since King Henry VIII broke with Rome in the 16th century after the pope refused him a divorce, the monarch has automatically become spiritual head of the Church of England and pledges at his or her coronation to defend the Anglican faith.

That Charles is unhappy with this system emerged from a leaked snippet of the interview. He says: "I happen to believe that the Catholic subjects of the sovereign are as important (as Protestants), not to mention the Islamic, Hindu and Zoroastrian."

He is also said to express a wish to broaden his coronation oath to make himself "defender of faith" instead of the current "defender of the (Anglican) faith".

Tabloid newspapers said the prince's reformist views had brought him into conflict with the queen, a strong supporter of the time-honored ties between the church and state.

But royal aides, questioned about the controversy, told reporters to "wait and see" if the television documentary, whose contents are secret until tomorrow, bears out the speculation.

The makers of the program, timed to mark the 25th anniversary of the prince's investiture as the Prince of Wales, promise a candid view of his marriage to Princess Diana and alleged affair with Camilla Parker-Bowles.

The prince's undenied intimacy with brigadier's wife Parker-Bowles, in contravention of his Christian marriage vows, has prompted some clergy to question whether he can credibly promise to defend the Anglican faith.

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Serbs attack UN troops; British soldier killed

News agencies

SARAJEVO

A British soldier was killed in a series of attacks on UN peacekeeping troops in the eastern Moslem enclave of Gorazde, UN officials said yesterday.

A spokesman for the British Ministry of Defense named the dead soldier as Private Shaun Richard Taylor, 20, and unmarried, of the Duke of Wellington's regiment. Taylor, from Cleveland, northern England, was the sixth British soldier to die in Bosnia.

The UN said Taylor was hit in the shoulder by a single small arms round after the UN observation post he was manning with five other British soldiers came under intense small arms fire on Sunday at 8:20 p.m.

A UN spokesman said the fire came from the Serb side of the confrontation line and was returned.

Taylor was evacuated to a Norwegian medical facility in Gorazde while the shooting continued, but was pronounced dead on arrival. British and Ukrainian UN peacekeepers came under attack five times in the Gorazde area on Sunday when Serb positions fired 40 to 50 small arms rounds on a UN observation post in the enclave. UN peacekeepers returned 70 rounds.

Also, a hand grenade was thrown at an Ukrainian observation post Sunday, and a six-member British team was engaged by small arms fire. The source of the two attacks was not immediately known.

British soldiers have clashed with both Serb and Moslem forces in Gorazde since they went into the enclave as part of a UN peacekeeping contingent deployed there after Serb forces ended their bombardment of the town last April.

Meanwhile, fighting continued in northeastern Bosnia in violation of a four-week cease-fire intended to lay the groundwork for new peace talks.

Bosnian Serb artillery rained on the Mount Ozren area Sunday afternoon, said UN spokesman Cmdr. David Chaperon. Heavy artillery exchanges also were reported around Gradacac, Gracanica, Ribnica and Serb-held Doboj west and southwest of the government-held town of Tuzla, he said.

The Moslem-led government, bolstered by recent successes reclaiming territory lost to the Serbs in the two-year war, is become less inclined to talk peace.

The commander of the Moslem-led government army, Gen. Rasim Delic, told Slovenian radio and TV over the weekend that the cease-fire was not being observed because "fundamental demands" made by the Bosnian government had not been met.

He said his army was strong enough to "embark on the liberation phase of armed struggle."

"Personally I think that the war has reached its peak," Delic said, claiming that the Serbs were no longer able to reinforce their ranks.

In Sarajevo, a 74-year-old Serb civilian was killed by a Bosnian sniper near the city center Sunday, Chaperon said. Another Serb civilian was wounded in a northwestern suburb when a rifle grenade exploded.

Chaperon said that most of the cease-fire violations in Sarajevo came from the Bosnian government side.

International mediators are pushing a settlement giving the Croat-Moslem alliance 51 percent of Bosnia and the Serbs 49 percent. The Croat-Moslem side wants more, while the Serbs do not want to cede that much land. Serbs now control about 70 percent of Bosnia.

Bosnia's minority Serbs launched the war in April 1992, after Moslems and Croats voted to secede from Yugoslavia. An estimated 200,000 people are dead or missing.

Kravchuk vs. Kuchma in Ukraine run-off

KIEV (Reuter) – President Leonid Kravchuk and former prime minister Leonid Kuchma finished on top in Ukraine's election and face a presidential run-off.

Unofficial preliminary results from Sunday's first round of voting went according to form, with both contenders certain to fall short of the 50 percent of the vote required for outright victory.

Kravchuk, who led Ukraine to independence in 1991, swept the nationalist west. Kuchma, an industrialist who wants closer ties with Russia, led in the conservative, Russian-speaking east.

Two unofficial counts compiled by the nationalist Rukh party and by Kravchuk's campaign team produced nearly the same outcome, giving the president about 40 percent of the vote and his challenger about 35.

Neither of the two contenders appeared in public. But both camps were confident of victory.

"We are already working out a strategy for the final round," said a member of Kravchuk's campaign team. "The figures were a bit disappointing in central Ukraine."

An official at Kuchma's headquarters said the outcome "fits in with predictions. I think we can win in a straight run-off."

The official count was proceeding with enormous delays and nearly 24 hours after the polls closed only nine of 25 districts had been tallied.

According to results provided by local returning officers, Kravchuk captured 85 percent of the vote in the western regions of Lvov and Ternopil and 70 percent in his home district of Rivne. He was also ahead in Kiev.



(Reuter)

Jakarta riot police arrest artist Sensar Siahan during street demonstrations yesterday. More than 100 protesters were forcibly stopped by troops and 24 arrested as they marched towards the Information Ministry to protest against the banning of two weekly magazines and one tabloid newspaper. The Indonesian government claims the magazines and newspaper were disturbing national stability by pitting government officials against each other.

French penetrate deep into Rwanda

MICHELA WRONG

GIKONGORO

FRANCE'S Operation Turquoise penetrated deep into central Rwanda, where a quarter of a million Hutus fleeing the Tutsi Rwanda Patriotic Front (RPF) are waiting desperately for aid.

Hundreds of villagers clapped and cheered as a French patrol drove yesterday into Gikongoro, 20 km west of the battlefront.

It was the first time the French, who have so far confined operations to the Cyangugu and Gisenyi districts on the banks of Lake Kivu, had ventured this far east.

"They are good soldiers, they are good men," said one delighted woman as the red-bereted paratroopers started reconnoitring.

At road barricades manned by Hutu militiamen, posters proclaimed "Vive La France" and tricolor flags flapped from bicycles, cars and trucks.

So far the French, who are billing their intervention as a purely humanitarian mission aimed at helping Hutu and Tutsi civilians alike, have found a disappointingly small number of refugees to rescue in western Rwanda.

In Cyangugu the mass flight of terrified Tutsis and a series of massacres have left only 8,000 Tutsis in need of aid.

The situation at Gikongoro is different. While few of the original 55,000 Tutsis remain, the district now holds up to 250,000 displaced Hutus fleeing the rebel advance.

The poorest district in Rwanda, Gikongoro is ill-equipped to cope because most aid organisations fled when the war broke out in early April and the displaced are relying on the charity of the local population, already short of food after last year's drought.

At Cyanika, a village on the outskirts of Gikongoro, 30,000 Hutus are camping next to the cemetery in makeshift shelters made from branches and leaves.

There are no latrines and the stink of excrement hangs in thei air. There is no clinic, and many of the children are suffering from dysentery and malaria.

The charity Caritas tried to provide a kg of beans every four days to each person but no deliveries have been made since last week.

There are 1,000 new arrivals a day. "We desperately need food, wood, water, oil and latrines," said Mayor Desire Ngezohayo.

"The French must give us a hand because the front is only 20 km away and the people are frightened."

Most of the Hutus have seen no actual fighting because they fled as the rebels approached, convinced they would be killed.

• A French security consultant working for the widow of murdered Rwandan president Juvenal Habyarimana has obtained the flight recorder of the plane in which he and Burundi president Cyprien Ntaryamira were shot down on April 6, the French newspaper *Le Monde* said in Paris yesterday.

Paul Barril, former head of France's gendarmerie anti-terror squad, told *Le Monde* he was also holding the voice recordings of contacts between the Kigali airport control tower and Habyarimana's French-crewed Falcon 50 executive jet.

The shooting down of the plane triggered widespread massacres by militias of the president's majority Hutu tribe. (Reuter)

Battles rage around southern Yemen

ADEN (Reuter) – North Yemen launched land and air attacks on the south's key oil refinery outside the embattled port city of Aden yesterday and the south said it feared a major assault soon.

Aden residents said northern Yemeni aircraft struck at the city's oil refinery, while southern soldiers said their men had driven back a northern force threatening the coastal road between the oil plant and the main part of Aden.

Northern troops besieging Aden, capital of a self-declared southern state, have been fighting since May 4 to stop the south leaving the union formed by a north-south merger in 1990.

Three northern warplanes raided the refinery in the suburb of Little Aden, which was shut two weeks ago because of earlier northern raids. Bombs ruptured two oil pipelines, residents said.

But they said oil that spilled from the pipelines did not catch fire and refinery workers were able to stop the leaks. The other two planes dropped their bombs into the sea.

Although southern officials said the refinery had been shut down, it has a tank farm with a capacity of one million tonnes.

The thud of artillery could be heard in Aden where hospital sources said four people had been killed and 16 injured in shelling of the Sheikh Othman and Mansoura residential areas.

Officials say more than 250 people have been killed and hundreds wounded in an artillery blitz lasting more than a week.

"Northern forces early this morning resumed their attacks at the fronts using all kinds of weapons," a southern military statement said, adding that northern forces had sent "huge reinforcements" to the front.

The north, under pressure from the UN and the international community, called a ceasefire from Sunday after some of the fiercest fighting since the war erupted.

But the ceasefire, like several earlier truces, collapsed within hours with each side accusing the other of violations.

Southern leaders say the northern leadership in Sanaa appears determined to reunite the country by force.

Aden officials said southern reinforcements had been sent to the frontlines to deter repeated northern attempts to break through their defenses.

Odd couple emerge as Japan partners

TOKYO (AP) – For nearly 40 years, Japan's Socialists made it their major mission to oppose the ruling Liberal Democratic Party. The LDP was pro-business, the Socialists were pro-labor; the LDP supported the United States, the Socialists sympathized with the Soviet Union.

Yesterday, the two, both now in opposition, began discussing the once-unthinkable: joining in a coalition to govern Japan.

Most thought the unlikely alliance wouldn't work out. But the very discussion of it illustrated the weird twists Japanese politics has taken since the Liberal Democrats lost power last year, and the confusion that now reigns.

At a meeting yesterday, Liberal Democratic leader Yohei Kono and Socialist Chairman Tomiichi Murayama discussed cobbling together Japan's third coalition government in two months.

Prime Minister Tsutomu Hata, who resigned Saturday, remains in office until his successor is chosen. His fate was sealed when negotiations to bring the Socialists back into his coalition broke down. They had quit over what they considered a slight by the coalition's other member parties.

Kono and Murayama didn't reach any conclusions on a Liberal Democratic-Socialist alliance, but they did agree that the prime minister search "must be cleared up as quickly as possible," said the Liberal Democrats' secretary-general, Yoshiro Mori.

There is a general consensus that Japan should pick its new leader in time for him to attend the summit of industrialized nations in Naples, Italy, July 8-10. But it appeared likely that lawmakers would have to extend the current session of Parliament beyond its scheduled end tomorrow.

The Liberal Democrats, who held power from 1955 until last year, remain the largest party in Parliament, with 206 seats in the 511-member lower house, which chooses the prime minister.

An alliance with the Socialists would give the Liberal Democrats enough seats to get back in the government. It would make perfect political sense – were it not that the two parties disagree on most key issues facing Japan.

The Socialists, for instance, oppose any attempt to give Japan's military a role in UN peacekeeping. The Liberal Democrats pushed through laws allowing precisely that.

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Second class citizens

THAT the Shamgar Commission findings call for more effective law enforcement in the territories is hardly surprising. Laxness by the security forces inevitably creates an anarchic atmosphere in which vigilantism thrives. Nor can the commission be faulted for demanding that the law be applied equally to Arabs and Jews. Such equality is the essence of democracy.

It is precisely this kind of equality which the High Court of Justice must have had in mind when it handed down a landmark decision recently. In it, the court upheld Attorney-General Michael Ben-Yair's position that Israeli law does not apply to Israeli citizens living in the territories, except in cases where the Knesset has explicitly stated otherwise.

At first glimpse, the decision seems to serve equality and fairness. But in practice it may subject the Jewish population of the territories to injustice and discrimination.

Thus, Israelis in the territories must still pay taxes and serve in the army, and they still have the right to vote or be tried on criminal charges in Israeli courts. But they can also – for example – be administratively detained by army order, rather than enjoy the protections Israeli law attaches to the same procedure: an obligation on the authorities' part to bring the detainee before a district court president within 48 hours.

Ben-Yair's main argument in support of this position was that Israeli law is almost always territorial. Just as it does not protect Israeli citizens living in England, it should not protect Israelis in Judea, Samaria and Gaza, which are also outside Israel's territorial boundaries.

But this argument is disingenuous at best. It is unreasonable to compare Judea, Samaria and Gaza – areas administered by the IDF, and intertwined with Israel in ways too numerous to mention – to an independent sovereign power over which Israel has never had any authority, and to which it has never had any claim.

The attorney-general's second argument – that Jews and Arabs living in the territories cannot be said to be treated equally unless both are subjected to the military law which governs these areas – is also absurd. Every country in the world makes distinctions between the way it treats citizens and non-citizens; if this were not the case, the whole concept of citizenship would be meaningless.

While there should certainly be no distinctions between Jewish and Arab citizens of Israel, nothing is more reasonable than treating citizens differently than non-citizens – and the Arab residents of the territories, unlike their Jewish counterparts, are not Israeli citizens.

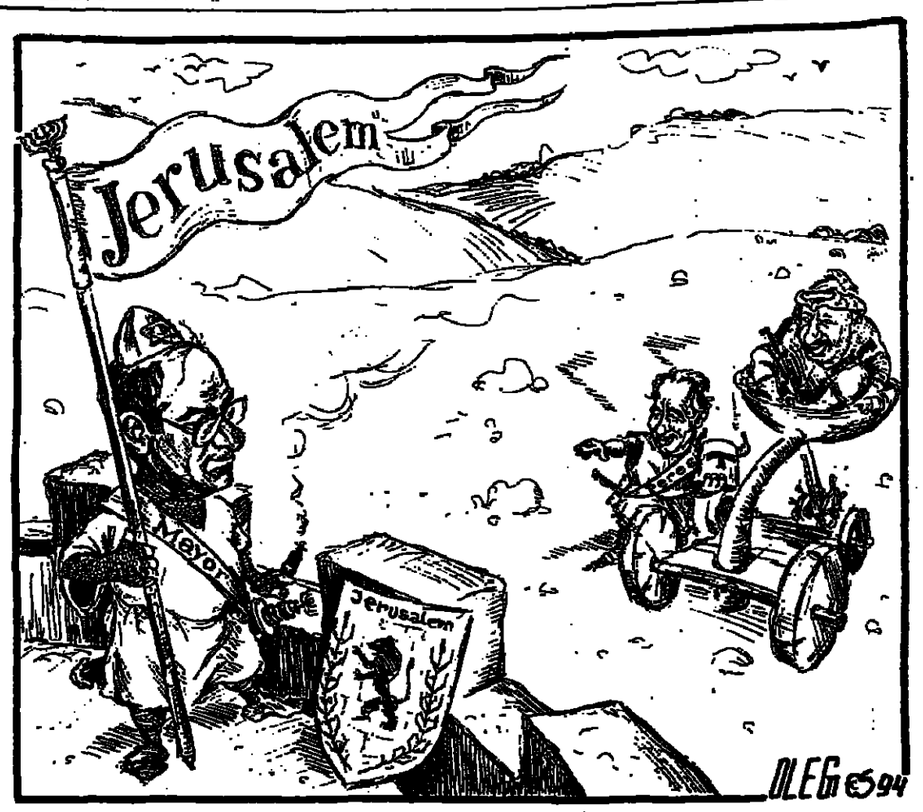
Ben-Yair completely ignores one important moral argument: for 27 years, Israeli governments, Labor and Likud alike, have been sending Israeli citizens to live in the territories. Never once did any of these governments hint that by doing so, Israelis were giving up many of their rights as citizens. Most settlers believed they continued to be Israeli citizens in all respects.

When asked about this point, Ben-Yair replied scornfully: "The people who live there know perfectly well which laws apply to them and which don't." This may be true about some legal experts, who are aware of the implications of living in extra-territorial areas. But it is difficult to believe that the tens of thousands of Israelis who moved to the territories simply to find affordable housing ever researched whether the move would affect their legal status. Having been sent by the government itself, the question would never have occurred to them.

The one seemingly unassailable argument in the court's ruling is that the Knesset never applied Israel law in general to citizens living in the territories. Instead, it issued a list of specific laws – such as the obligation to pay taxes and the right to vote – which did apply to such citizens. The Knesset, the court said, was clearly expressing its opinion that only these laws should apply. And since the Knesset is the country's sovereign authority, it would be improper for the court to contradict it on such an issue.

While these special laws have most likely been a result of nothing more than a careless, piecemeal legislative approach rather than a statement on the status of the settlers, it is difficult to blame the court for choosing an interpretation more suited to the legislature's dignity. But this puts the ball squarely back in the Knesset's court.

Whatever the future of the territories may be, the Knesset should immediately initiate legislation applying all Israeli laws to Israeli citizens living in them. To do less is to betray the 130,000 citizens who have settled there, at the government's urging, during the last quarter of a century.



Justice and politics

ARIEL SHARON

THE Shamgar commission displayed a sense of national responsibility in clearing the government and the IDF general staff of blame for the massacre at the Cave of the Patriarchs in February.

In so doing, it gave Israel's judicial system back the levelheadedness that was upset by the Kahan/Barak commission's illogical conclusions following its investigation into the 1982 massacre at Sabra and Shatilla.

The Shamgar report is a mark of honor – and a slap in the face to the distorted principles that guided the Kahan/Barak report. That report etched a mark of Cain on the forehead of the State of Israel and the Jewish people.

The Shamgar commission went so far as to clear the defense minister and the IDF General Staff even of indirect responsibility, saying it was unlikely a massacre by a Jew against Arabs in the Cave of the Patriarchs could have been anticipated. It fell like a "bolt from the blue," as the chief of staff said in his testimony.

The Shamgar commission's finding destroyed the shaky foundation on which the Kahan/Barak commission had built its judicial house of cards, placing indirect responsibility on myself and on officers in the General Staff. It ruled that in Lebanon, that faroff place, in an area not under our control, we ought to have anticipated what would happen between Christian Arabs and Moslem Arabs.

It is quite plain to anyone who knows anything about law that the Shamgar commission's report destroys the legal basis of the Kahan commission report.

The two commissions investigated exactly the same matter: there was a massacre here, and a massacre there. But how did it come about that no one was forced to take responsibility here, while there, they were?

The injustice that was done to us cries out to the heavens. Unlike the massacre in Lebanon, the killings of four months ago took place in territory that is under our full control, and for which we are responsible.

This only underscores the error of the Kahan commission.

TWICE I turned to Justice Aharon Barak in an open letter, asking him to withdraw his baseless findings in the light of subsequent events. The honorable justice, to my regret, exercised his right to remain silent.

Imagine that the Hebron massacre had taken place under Likud rule, with me as defense minister

I, on the other hand, will not give up – even for one day – my right to scream out that he and his commission turned Israeli justice into injustice.

The responsible report written by Justices Shamgar, Zouabi and Goldberger is the first nail in the coffin of the Kahan commission's report.

And I can't resist responding to Justice Minister David Liba'i, a law professor, who heaped praise on the Shamgar commission's report, stressing the principle of "equality before the law" that characterizes its findings. Praising both the Shamgar and Kahan commission reports, Liba'i added: "Sharon has a personal problem that doesn't interest the public."

First, imagine for a moment that an incident as grave as the Cave of the Patriarchs massacre had taken place under Likud rule, with myself as defense minister. Would all those who are now joyously embracing the Shamgar commission's report be acting the same way?

Second, look at the extent of the perversion of justice in a supposedly well-run country, when a law professor and minister is prepared to accept a regime in which justice isn't meted out evenhandedly.

It's true: I do have a personal problem on this issue. The fact is that I have never come to terms with slander and blood libel – whether it came from the world's largest weekly, in the US, which I sued and proved it had lied, or whether the perversion of justice came from the Kahan commission in Jerusalem.

It would be well for that former law professor to think about what happens to a regime, a state, in which justice becomes a matter of political manipulation.

That is where the personal issue ends and the national rot starts, penetrating even the fabric of the legal system.

In days like these, when we're off in Rome looking for fascism – which I hope doesn't exist there – it would be advisable to consider the kind of regime that's being established in Jerusalem. What kind of regime is it when, on two identical counts, defense minister Yitzhak Rabin is found innocent – and I am pleased about that – while I and several IDF generals are found guilty of "indirect responsibility"?

How does Prof. Liba'i resolve the moral and legal contradiction between the findings of the two commissions on identical issues? Where is the famous equality before the law?

We have a serious problem – and it isn't a personal one.

The writer, a Likud MK, was forced to step down as defense minister in the wake of the Kahan commission report into the Sabra and Shatilla massacre.

Not even a slap on the wrist

DAVID FORMAN

THE Jewish theologian Abraham Joshua Heschel wrote: "While some are guilty, all are responsible." But he did not deal with the proposition that, "If no one is guilty, no one is responsible."

Presumably, if a judicial body does not punish someone, he must be considered not guilty. All the legal interpretations attached to a ruling amount to very little, because the bottom line is what counts.

As far as the Shamgar commission on the Hebron massacre is concerned, that bottom line is already being understood in Israel and throughout the world as exoneration for the country's politicians, soldiers and settlers. The practical outcome: "If no one is guilty, then no one will ever be responsible."

Rarely are the left and the right united. But as regards the conclusions of the Shamgar commission, both sides agree that it dealt gingerly with the settlers and the army. The commission states that the settlers often violated the law. Similarly, it faults the army for failing to carry out its duties. If the army failed in its duties and the settlers violated the law, they should be punished.

Anyone who observed the commission's proceedings should not be surprised by its recommendations. At no time did the members of the commission really press the witnesses on that which everyone knows: that the settlers had total freedom of movement in perpetrating hostile activity against the Palestinians. Instead, the commission accepted the incredible claim by one IDF officer after another that the army knew nothing of settler aggressiveness. It is unfortunate that there were no trial lawyers on the commission.

And what happened to Judge Zouabi? In a courageous interview with *Ma'ariv* he intimated that he always knew that the settlers were the real instigators in the territories, but he needed evidence to back up this notion. Yet his voice is not heard in the report.

Settlers will continue their terror, soldiers will continue to turn a blind eye

The Shamgar commission's conclusions reflect the judicial tendencies of its head, the chief justice himself. For some reason, Meir Shamgar, while perhaps scrupulously adhering to legal technicalities, has missed the larger picture. He has upheld a legal system, but betrayed all moral codes.

Admittedly there is a fine line here, but when John Demjanjuk is set free when all know that he was Ivan the Terrible; or when the midnight deportations to Lebanon of Hamas activists is upheld when the army admits that it tried to circumvent the law by carrying out the operation in a clandestine fashion, one must question the outcome of important cases on which Shamgar himself sits.

THE FACT is that the settlers are celebrating the commission's rulings, including those who have declared Baruch Goldstein a "saint."

Since the commission cites their lawlessness without so much as a slap on the wrist, they will see themselves as free to perpetuate their terrorism against Arab villages. This includes midnight shooting sprees, the smashing of windows of Arab cars, the looting of produce stands in Arab marketplaces and so on. And since not one army head is to roll, soldiers will continue to turn a blind eye, noting that the commission only "recommended" that army shooting orders be altered.

The Shamgar commission had the chance to deal with the most important moral issue facing Israel: How does a Jewish state, even in time of what might be described as an on-going war, maintain its integrity in dealing with another people? Sadly, the commission failed.

The world has been left to believe that the brutal killing of innocent Arabs is to be treated with a lot of judicial fanfare, but little moral justice.

The writer is spokesperson of Rabbis for Human Rights.

Forget the myth

JUDITH SHERVEN
JAMES SNIECHOWSKI

ONCE again, the myth of the evil, brutal male perpetrator and the perfect, innocent female victim is being broadcast and written about as gospel. Only when we come to terms with the fact that domestic violence is the responsibility of both men and women, however, can we put a stop to this horrible nightmare.

Domestic violence is not an either-or phenomenon. It is not either the man's fault or the woman's. It is a both-and problem. Both the male and the female are bound in their dance of mutual destructiveness, their incapacity for intimacy and appreciation of differences. They need each other to perpetuate personal and collective dramas of victimization and lovelessness, and so, regrettably, neither can leave.

This is a very untidy idea for people who have grown up with movies in which the "good guy" triumphs over the "bad guy" and rescues the damsel from distress. But to tackle the plague of domestic violence, we must alter our perspective. Facts:

- Half of spousal murders are committed by wives, a statistic that has been stable over time.
- The 1985 National Family Violence Survey disclosed that women and men were physically abusing one another in roughly equal numbers. Wives reported that they were more often the aggressors. Using weapons to make up for physical disadvantage, they were not just fighting back.
- While 1.8 million women annually suffered one or more assaults from a husband or boyfriend, 2 million men were assaulted by a wife or girlfriend, according to a 1986 study on US family violence. That study also found that 54 percent of all violence termed "severe" was by women.
- Mothers abuse their children at a rate approaching twice that of fathers, according to state child-protective service agencies surveyed by the Children's Rights Coalition.
- Because men have been taught to "take it like a man" and are ridiculed when they reveal they have been battered by women, women are nine times more likely to report their abusers to the authorities.

Women must share the responsibility for domestic violence

Why are we loath to expose the responsibility of women in domestic abuse? Why do we cling to the pure and virginal image of the "sweet young thing" and the "damsel in distress"? If we are sincere about change, we must acknowledge the truth: Women are part and parcel of domestic violence.

Why does our culture refuse to hold women as well as men accountable for their participation in domestic violence? All of such women's behavior, whether perpetrator or victim, is understood and passed off as the byproduct of socialization or poor economic status. On the other hand, men are held fully accountable for all of their behavior.

Some will argue that women fall into "spousal abuse syndrome," in which female passivity is explained as the result of the male brainwashing the female into believing that she is the cause of his violence. Consequently, she is powerless to alter the situation. But the truth is that all females receive some form of the following lessons: "You must cater to a man's ego," "You're nothing without a man" and "It's just as easy to love a rich man."

Girls often acquire this garbage from insecure mothers who believe that they are doing what is best for their daughters. If women are not expected to think and act for themselves, if their self-esteem is in shambles and their dependency is characterized as "feminine," the fault cannot be laid at the feet of men.

None of this is intended to exonerate O.J. Simpson. If he is guilty of the murders with which he has been charged, he must answer for his actions. The point is that, in the reaction to this sensational case, we do ourselves a grave disservice to slip into a gender-biased frenzy, vilifying and accusing only men as abusers.

The women's movement claims its goal to be equal rights for women. If that is so, then women must share responsibility for their behavior and their contribution to domestic violence. Otherwise, we remain in a distortion that overshadows the truth. Only the truth will show us the way out of this epidemic of violence.

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(Los Angeles Times)

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

MEGGED'S ARTICLE

Sir, – Many thanks for reprinting Aharon Megged's article on the self-hatred evident in the recent work of several Israeli historians' "rewriting of Zionist history, a rewriting in the spirit of its adversaries and foes" (June 17). You have done your readers here and abroad a real service.

Megged, a renowned Israeli novelist, a man of liberal and humanistic views, is alarmed by the anti-Jewish, anti-Israeli bias of historians like Benny Morris et al. He pleads for a more balanced attitude, above all for a broader historical perspective which, in his opinion, is sadly lacking in the above historians' studies of the Jewish Yishuv and the War of Independence.

May I bring to the attention of all concerned an authoritative collection of documents dealing with the Arab-Jewish conflict in the last 100 years. It has been assembled by a prestigious American historian, Joan Peters. Its title, *From Time Immemorial*, is in itself an ironical comment on the centuries-old Arab myth. The author had free access to British, Turkish and Arab states' historical archives, interviewed personally many Palestinian leaders as well as refugees, members of various Arab and especially Palestinian bodies, etc.

If only those engaged in the current peace process, from Mr. Peres and Yossi Beilin to the Israeli journalists interviewing the Palestinian negotiators, took the trouble to learn the facts, so clearly documented in Joan Peters's weighty study, if only the "revisionist" historians delved into this mine of information about the Arab-Israeli conflict, collected by an "outsider," there might have been no cause for Aharon Megged to write about the "one-way trip on the highway to self-destruction."

PNINA GOLDNER
Kiryat Haim.

PR FAILURE

Sir, – In my opinion, one of the greatest mistakes the Israelis have made since the birth of the state is the failure of both Labor and Likud to recognize and combat the one-sided Arab propaganda war in the US.

Over 20 years ago, one of the major oil companies here introduced their Arab friends to one of the best public relations firms in the US. Since then, the PR of the Arabs has gone from a crude beginning to the greatest success you could imagine in your worst dreams. Israel ignored and lost this war.

Several years ago, a group of pro-Israel American Jews offered to finance the hiring of a good PR firm to combat the Arab propaganda campaign for the hearts and minds of Americans. The Israelis were not interested.

Americans respect and understand people who stand up for their rights, and above all, explain carefully and clearly why they have these rights. Had the Israelis cooperated and helped fight the propaganda war, one can imagine that instead of having to give the aggressors land, a tangible asset, for a promise of peace, "a scrap of paper" as Hitler described the Munich agreement, Israel could have demanded and kept most of its legitimate rights in the Golan, the Sinai, Judea and Samaria, and Gaza. In addition, Israel is entitled to war reparations for all of the deaths and damage caused by blockades, embargoes, boycotts, terrorist attacks, and four major wars, all of this Arab aggression being continuous over the 46 years of Israel's existence.

Collection of reparations is an impossible dream, but the important thing is world understanding and acceptance of this right.

LOUIS LECHENGER
Houston, Texas.

NEW TREND

Sir, – Once upon a time, many years ago, your paper was excellent and my wife and I bought it nearly daily. Unfortunately that time has passed ever since the paper was taken over by new owners. From a clearly informative, government-supporting daily, you became a paper with distinctly rightist outlook, religiously inclined, etc.

I cannot abide this trend and I would expect that, as the only English-language newspaper, you would also cater to the secular and not only to the traditional minded or strictly religious.

ABRAHAM E. BEHR
Tel Aviv.

RELIGIOUS PLURALITY

Sir, – Rabbi Immanuel Jacobovits (May 15) urges Prime Minister Rabin to "do everything in his power to increase the state's commitment to Jewish values and education." He also bemoans the fact that a greater proportion of Diaspora Jewish children receive some Jewish education (religious instruction) than do Israeli Jewish children.

The rabbi's goals would have a better chance of accomplishment if the Orthodox establishment were to cease its efforts to block the non-Orthodox branches of Judaism from flourishing in Israel. Surely, if Israeli Jews had as much opportunity to learn about Jewish alternatives to Orthodoxy as we do in the Diaspora, many more would affiliate with synagogues and raise their children as Jews, not merely as secular Israelis.

I hope the time will soon come when Israel's Orthodox leadership will acknowledge not only the validity of the other branches of Judaism, but also the enormous contributions they now make to Jewish continuity in the Diaspora and could make in Israel.

NORMAN SIDER
Indianapolis.

WHO IS A JEW

Sir, – Dr. Frits L. Meijler (Letters, June 21) says that, as a Holocaust survivor, he believes that whether one is a Jew is determined by others, not by Jews. "There is no escape." Tragically, he learned the wrong lesson. A key feature of the defeat of Nazism is that Jews determine who are Jews. Sadly, for Dr. Meijler Hitler still commands.

Dr. Meijler is also mistaken in equating Rabbi Shlomo Riskin's article "Becoming a Jew" with Nazi racist propaganda. In the Nazi system, there was no way one could become a Jew or an Aryan. Also, the consequences of being or not being a Jew in Rabbi Riskin's concepts are not the same as those of the Nazi system. Rabbi Riskin doesn't threaten to subject Dr. Meijler's descendants to a Holocaust. Rather, he regards them in the same considerate manner as he regards other non-Jews.

JOSIAH L. LAMDEN
Jerusalem.

POSTSCRIPTS

WHEN IN doubt, sue. That's how it is in America, and that's how it was for four families in Burlington County, New Jersey, who hauled the Catholic Church to court because it endangered their afterlives.

The plaintiffs contend the authorities did not remove a priest from their church who was allegedly sexually abusive.

The families asked for the usual fantastic cash settlement – plus an unspecified amount of money because the incident had destroyed their religious faith and thus severely reduced their chances of being admitted to heaven.

Sinwa

Cashing in on a lifetime of music

DEAN GOODMAN
LOS ANGELES

AT the tender age of 63, country legend Johnny Cash is undergoing a renaissance that most performers can only dream about.

Not only is his latest album produced by a youthful record mogul better known for his collaboration with the Red Hot Chili Peppers, but Cash is touring more than at any time in his 40-year career.

At a recent surprise gig in a grungy Austin, Texas, beer hall, Cash and his crack combo mesmerized an audience of skateboard punks and waifish twentysomethings.

Crooners such as Tony Bennett and Frank Sinatra have aimed their cleverly orchestrated comebacks at the same demographic group, but Cash was a natural fit as he belted out stompers like "Ring of Fire" and raunchy new ballads like "Delia's Gone" and "Let the Train Blow the Whistle."

Cash has actually been idolized by kids in two earlier generations. The first was in the 1950s when he, Elvis Presley and Jerry Lee Lewis raised hell across America spreading the gospel of rock 'n' roll.

Then in the late 1960s, he hosted a weekly TV show and sold millions of copies of his two prison concert albums and novelty single "Boy Named Sue."

"It's like God has given me a third shot at it," Cash said in an interview after that Austin show. "There's a whole new generation out there, I know, that haven't heard me and don't know what I'm all about."

Modesty notwithstanding, Cash's recording career had fallen on lean times.

Columbia dropped him in the mid-1980s after 30 years, and a few critically acclaimed albums for Mercury Nashville were overshadowed by mega-selling country efforts from upstarts like Alan Jackson and Garth Brooks.

"It was a sad thing but I said, well that's the way it is. I wasn't feeling sorry for myself, I wasn't upset at anybody," Cash said. "I just kinda went my own way and there wasn't a year went by that I couldn't find work. I was busier than I wanted to be every year really."

About a year ago, Rick Rubin started hanging around at Cash's shows. Rubin, 30, runs the American Recordings label whose roster includes heavy metaller Glenn Danzig, rapper Sir Mix-A-Lot and retro rockers the Black Crowes.

He has produced acts like the Beastie Boys, Tom Petty and Mick Jagger.

"Each time he came [to a show] I more and more liked the way he talked," Cash said. "He let me know he wanted to get the best out of me, whatever that was. He said he didn't care about anything I'd ever recorded, he didn't want to think about it. He wanted to hear me with my guitar, singing the songs I wanted to sing."

Rubin signed Cash and they started making an album that Cash had always dreamed about – an acoustic record.

They eventually recorded over 100 tunes, about half of them gospel, and painfully whittled that to 13.

As well as writing or co-writing five songs, Cash employed the talents of such luminaries as Leonard Cohen, Tom Waits, Nick Lowe, Kris Kristofferson and, yes, Danzig the heavy metaller. The album "American Recordings" was recently released in the US.

"It remains to be seen whether anybody will like it because it's just a whole lot of Johnny Cash coming right in your face," he said.

"I've got nothing to lose and I've got musical integrity because I'm doing what feels right: I'm doing songs I love."

At any rate Cash thinks he does have a better shot these days because kids seem to be more open-minded than they were in earlier generations.

"They're not afraid to say anything, not afraid to hear anything," he said. "They're disillusioned with the secular world, the whole thing and they're looking for something that they can depend on."

Cash, whom people can also depend on to wear only black on stage, attributes his longevity to God who, he says, pulled him out of several bleak, drug-affected periods throughout his career. In fact to this day, it's a constant battle for the teetotaler not to stray too far.

"I had so many devils yapping at my heels for so many years with all of the drugs and everything, life on the road and whatever, that I'm very aware and conscious of the fight that is within me and of making my commitment to God to try to overcome the destructive forces in my life," he said. (Reuter)



After 10 lean years, Johnny Cash is being rediscovered by young audiences who normally don't listen to country music.

Hearts transplanted

JERUSALEM FILM FESTIVAL PREVIEW

ADINA HOFFMAN

GERMAN director Jan Schütte's quirky little movie *Bye Bye America* offers a wonderful hodgepodge of places, people, and languages. The elderly characters live in Brooklyn but swerve in and out of English, Polish, Yiddish, German, joking gently all the while.

They hover, not unhappily, in a permanent state of slight disorientation – their shifting national identities seem to connect and define them. Transplanted in America from Europe, they journey back to the old country, only to find themselves not quite at home there. Still, the boardwalk in Gdansk is as good for a morning stroll as the boardwalk in Brighton Beach...

Bye Bye is the sort of modest film about borders – both personal and geographic – that makes perfect sense in the context of an international film festival, where cultural lines may be traversed without the help of passport control.

If it's anthropological distance you're after, try *Bandit Queen*, Indian director Shekhar Kapur's deeply disturbing but vital Hindi-language feature about Phoolan Devi, the real-life folk heroine from the wilderness of Madhya Pradesh.

Sold off to be married at age 11, Phoolan Devi developed an early disgust for India's repressive treatment of women and girls. Later, after she was gang-raped and mentally abused, she decided to take revenge. With her gang, she kidnapped, vandalized, stole, murdered, and sometimes even massacred, once killing more than 30 men from a single village.

The graphically violent script was adapted from its heroine's prison memoirs, and at times comes precariously close to autohagiography. Still, while it's certainly difficult to admire Phoolan Devi and her vengeful actions, we do leave the film with a potent sense of her justifiable fury at all the degradation she endured. And the rough, dusty landscape of her rugged province provides an eerie corollary to – almost an explanation for – her tortured inner state.

An entirely engaging soap opera, *Love and Human Remains* is Canadian Denys Arcand's first English-language film. As in his previous French movie, *The Decline of the American Empire*, Arcand presents in measured and nuanced detail an emotionally frustrated group of attractive city dwellers who spend most of their time either talking about or having sex.

With alacrity, Arcand weaves the stories of his twentysomething characters and their romantic confusions. He uses the blur of overloaded late-20th-century media imagery, as well as the fear of AIDS and random street violence as a terrifying counterpoint to the friends' mundane chitchat.

Surprisingly, what emerges from this apocalyptic swirl is quite old-fashioned: each of these lost souls just wants to be touched. All are desperate for someone to love them. With chilling accuracy, *Love* captures the distracted pain of a whole generation.

Another Canadian film, Francois Girard's *32 Short Films About Glenn Gould*, is more of a disappointment. Structured according to the numbered sections of Bach's *Goldberg Variations*, Girard's movie attempts to capture the essence of Gould the pianist, one of the most talented and eccentric musicians of all time.

Gould's hypochondria, and his preference for arrowroot biscuits, ketchup and pills are legendary, along with his decision to quit the concert stage at a relatively early age, and his strange hermit's passion for late-night phone calls all around the world. His peculiarities were genuine, as were his passions.

The problem with Girard's over-illustrative film is that it reduces Gould to the sum of his oddities. Meanwhile, the extreme nature of his music and musicality are relegated to a most undramatic backseat.

The rather thankless task of standing in for Gould falls upon actor Colm Feore, who imitates Gould's ecstasies aptly enough, but the fact is, he's imitating (something Gould the radical innovator would probably detest). The most forceful sections of the film are those unadorned documentary parts when friends and relatives of Gould's speak frankly with an interviewer. The pianist's weirdness doesn't bear recreation, and his music speaks for itself.

NIO's swan song at the Noga Theater sounded like a 'Dream'

CONCERT ROUNDUP

WITH Benjamin Britten's *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, we bid farewell to the Noga Theater in Jaffa, the temporary home in which the New Israeli Opera took its first cautious steps, rising to international level.

Director Brigitte Fassbaender knew exactly what she wanted. Her *Dream* was neither Shakespeare's innocent fairy tale, nor the revelation of evil.

Fassbaender's version was a humanized fairy tale in which the characters are driven by a single power: love.

What Fassbaender had to say was relayed in her final condensed statement – the brilliant and incredibly funny interpretation of the "play within the play."

At the director's disposal was a wonderful team of singers and actors. None of the stars tried to outshine any of the others, and all deserve a mention: the soft-spoken, sneaky countertenor Jeffrey Gall as Oberon; soprano Christine Schaeffer, with her bell-like, crystal-clear voice as Titania, and the really excellent quartet of the two couples – tenor Christopher Gillet as Lysander, mezzo Linda Pavelka as Hermia; baritone Jeffrey Black as Demetrius and soprano Anat Efrati as Helena.

No less admirable was the sextet of craftsmen – the amateur actors – with basses Andrew Shore and Jan Alofs; tenors Adrian Thompson and Hein Meens; and baritones Eli Gorenstein and baritone Dan Ettinger.

Finally, the brilliant performance of the spooky Puck, played by Yuval Zamir, introduced an element of frightening magic.

Fassbaender didn't just direct the acting. Great singer that she is, she also contributed decisively to the production's vocal excellence, turning *Dream* into one of the most musically rewarding performances of the season.

Special mention must be made of the Chorus of the Fairies, exquisitely played and sung by the Moran Children's Chorus Beit Yitzhak, prepared for their task by their conductor, Naomi Faran.

Finally, praise to conductor Asher Fisch. It would be no exaggeration to say that under his baton, The Israel Symphony Orchestra Rishon Lezion delivered its best pit performance of the season.

Noga Theater, Jaffa, June 22.
Benjamin Bar-Am

IN its desperate effort to become less elitist, the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra actually turned the Mann Auditorium into a discotheque – with the participation of the King's Singers, conducted by Carl Davis.

Though one cannot overestimate the merits of the King's Singers – beautiful voices, incredible virtuosity and harmony – one cannot condemn their treatment of the music strongly enough.

To sing French 15th- and 16th-century polyphonic chansons and English renaissance madrigals with amplification means a disdainful vulgarization and esthetic distortion bordering on the outrageous. And to sing the vocal parts of Faure's *Pavane* with discotheque volume, completely disregarding the balance between the orchestra and the vocal parts, is nothing less than desecration.

Not even the British and French folk songs needed amplification. Only in some of the Beatles' songs, which included gems like *Eleanor Rigby* and *Yesterday*, was amplification acceptable, or even necessary.

But some of these pieces brought another catastrophe – a huge, noisy symphony orchestra accompaniment. Beatles songs with a fully scored symphony orchestra – what idiocy!

Mann Auditorium, Tel Aviv, June 18. ***Benjamin Bar-Am***

THE FIRST local performances of Ligeti's sonata for viola was the focus of interest in the joint recital by violist Tabea Zimmermann and cellist Heinrich Schiff, each playing unaccompanied solo works.

Ligeti's sonata starts with an almost romantic-inspired, melodious movement, carrying on with a two-part *Loop* that makes the solo viola sound as if it were playing chamber music all by itself. A will-o'-the-wisp-like, fleeting *Presto con sordine* contrasts sharply with an intense *Lamento*, in which the rests are no less emotionally charged than the notes.

Zimmermann's profoundly involved, vibrant playing, her velvety-soft, mellow, resounding tone and her energy make this highly individual, modernist work as naturally communicative as any classical one. She created the same impression by her rendering of Hindemith's studies of contrasting sonorities in his viola sonata No. 1.

Schiff seems most happy when he has a fast passage to toss off in his inimitable manneristic way of rendering Bach cello suites Nos. 3 and 4. Slow episodes are treated with a certain indifference.

In Hans Werner's Cello Serenade, the frequent alternations of contrasting sounds provided the cellist with well-used opportunities for some real singing on the cello.

Jerusalem Theater, June 25.
Ury Eppstein

THE FIRST performance of a new Israeli work, Menahem Tsur's *A Letter to Alban Berg*, opened the Jerusalem Symphony Orchestra's subscription concert No. 10, conducted by David Shallon.

It would have taken a great Berg expert to detect the concealed allusions to his oeuvre. Romantically inspired melodious passages, couched in modernist dissonances, are faintly reminiscent of Berg's style, and an ironically banal use of percussion and brass evokes an elusive mood possibly connected with *Lulu*. In this kind of musical hide-and-seek, one feels that the composer remains the winner.

Heinrich Schiff, the soloist in Saint-Saens's cello concerto, placed his emphasis on sweeping, matter-of-fact virtuosity, breaking some Guinness records of velocity in cello playing, frequently at the expense of the melodious content. Later on, he regained awareness of some lyrical passages.

Schumman's Symphony No. 2 sounded unaccountably imposing. In the second movement, the *Allegro Vivace* caption was ignored in favor of a forward-rushing *presto*, turning the playful scherzo into a breathless chase.

Jerusalem Theater, June 22
Ury Eppstein

AT 23, pianist Miri Yampolsky displays the marks of a real musical personality. Her playing is at times thoughtful and meditative, as in the beginning of Chopin's Ballade in G minor. At other times, it is full of abandon, while capturing a work's hidden streak, as in Schumann's Sonata in G minor. Her playing can be delightfully playful and lighthearted, as in Mozart's Sonata K280.

In Bach's French Overture in B minor, the contrapunctal parts were clearly differentiated. The Romantic works were played with a captivatingly persuasive force of expression, with emphases placed where they would be most convincing. Refreshing spontaneity and elasticity of tempi were combined with a sensitive understanding of style and the composer's intentions.

Jerusalem Music Center, Mishkenot Sha'ananim, June 24
Ury Eppstein

One dull diva

NEW RELEASES

STEVIE Nicks is drowning in the doldrums. The diva who once amazed in Fleetwood Mac has become middle-aged and boring. What's worse, she doesn't seem to notice.

On Street Angel (NMC) her sixth solo album, even her version of Bob Dylan's "Just Like A Woman" sounds like a retread of the '70s. On one song you hear a glimmer of who she used to be. Otherwise the album can only serve as a cautionary tale for those who idealize co-dependency and refuse to take their lives in their own hands.

Tirzah Agassi

TOWER RECORDS' TOP 15

THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	WEEKS ON CHARTS	ARTIST	TITLE
#1	7	6	ZIKNEI TZFAT	ZIKNEI TZFAT
#2	1	5	EYFO HAYELED	DEMONS
#3	4	17	MARIAH CAREY	MUSIC BOX
#4	2	7	GLYKERIA	LIVE
#5	/	RE	VOLUME 4	COMPILATION
#6	3	38	BOAZ SHARABI	YOU ARE THE NIGHT TO ME
#7	9	28	ACHINOAM NINI	NINI AND DOR
#8	13	38	SHLOMO ARTZI	COMPLETE COLLECTION
#9	11	8	TOP POP '94	VOLUME 3
#10	/	1	ETHNIX	YOU
#11	5	3	THE GINGIES	THE GINGIES
#12	12	3	CRASH TEST DUMMYS	GOD SHUFFLED HIS FEET
#13	/	1	DANI ROBAS	OR I'LL SHOOT
#14	6	19	DAVID BROZA	MASSADA
#15	/	1	BOB MARLEY	LEGEND

Tower Records' top-selling albums for the previous week. RE – re-entry

These sisters act a bit rough

THEATER REVIEW

NAOMI DOUDAI

THE THREE SISTERS

By Anton Chekhov. Hebrew, Aza Tzvi. Direction, Shahar Segal. Design, Yossi Ben-Ari. Music, Dori Parnas. Lighting, Hani Vardi. At Bimartef, Habimah. Hebrew Title, *Shalash Ahayot*.

Olga ..... Yael Pearl
Masha ..... Katiana Kanellis-Olier
Irina ..... Gili Ben-Azulio

IT is over three years since Aharon Almog's unconventional and masterful version of *The Three Sisters* at the Cameri offered a display case for the talents of Nissan Nativ's Actors Studio.

Habimah's equally experimental version now does the same for a very young director and cast of largely Beit Zvi graduates. This time, however, the results are – if no less resounding, a bit rough around the edges.

Similarly stripped of romantic rusticity, mounted "in the round" with no more than emblematic reminders of the rural setting, Segal's otherwise highly promising version somehow fails to conjure up the same genuine Chekhovian ambience.

Apart from Ada Tal with a conventional comfy Anfisa and Yosef Milo with his very own, very different doctor, Segal has not succeeded in the casting.

Gili Ben-Azulio, with her darkly souring Irina, misses out on the latter's youthful charm and sparkle. Yael Pearl gives a sympathetic Olga, but plays down the stark aridity of her spinsterhood.

While electrifying moments of mature erotic passion do crackle between his lovers, Masha (Tatiana Kanellis-Olier) and Vershunin (Yusef Abu-Varda), they are dissipated in the sentimentalization and slackening of tensions that finally overtake the production.

This is also true for the second couple. Ofer Zohar as the ineffectual Andrei starts off with a strikingly sensitive study, which however weakens as the play progresses.

Rama Messinger also has a good stab at developing his shrewish wife Natasha until her shrillness gets out of hand.

Robert Hoenig, on the other hand, projects the innate sadness of Masha's husband Koligin – the clowning, nudnik schoolteacher – with delicacy and sophistication. Uri Ravitz, Shraga Harpaz and Alon Ofir also give genuine Chekhovian studies in smaller roles.

Ballet: Cast two giants' shadows

DANCE

DORA SOWDEN

THE Israel Ballet began its new program at the Mann Auditorium on June 20 in Tel Aviv with Michel Fokine's *Les Sylphides* (here called by the original name *Chopiniana*).

Fokine was a mastermind of the past and the program ended with *Concerto 622* by a mastermind of the present. In between came Berta Yampolsky's *Gurrelieder*, set to the music of Arnold Schoenberg.

It was a bold undertaking to create a ballet inspired by the gigantic choral work of Schoenberg and put it into a program with the choreography of giants. But it succeeded.

The ballet measured up not only to to its neighbors in the program but also to the weight and texture of the theme it chose.

Eighteen dancers in solos, pas-de-deux, and variations separately and together conveyed the strain of living and loving that left them as shadowy figures in a dream world. There was no tale told, but the action was real, the torture as much self-inflicted as inflicting.

Yampolsky found ways of suggesting cruelty as well as kindness. The couples clung together but the women often hung bent in half over the men's arms. Yet even in moments of highest intensity (of music and dance), the effect was of dream sequences.

Strangely, Yampolsky's tendency to overdo repetitive movements proved here to be an asset. The costumes too (also by Yampolsky) were apt. All the dancers in near nakedness (the women in the briefest of bikinis, the men in tight trunks) enhanced their other-worldliness. So did the lighting by Zohar Shapira.

Credit must go to Cora Benador for so well capturing the spell of the *Chopiniana*. It was romantically danced not only by the principals but also by the whole company.

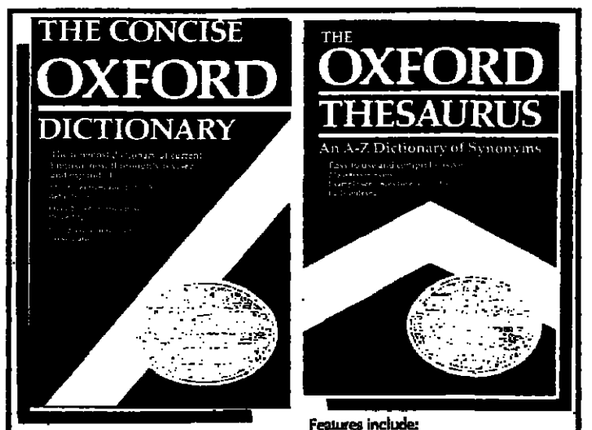
Lar Lubovitch's *Concerto 622* was a happy work with which to end a program. It recalled an earlier work by the same dance maker, *In a Clearing*, danced by the Bat-Dor company but this time the music was Mozart's Clarinet Concerto (hence the name).

The weakest part was the second movement danced by two men in rather labored choreography aiming at innuendo, but this was redeemed by the delightful third movement where the dancing was at its best, especially by the men creating the carefree spontaneity with an ease that the women could not quite match. They worked hard at it. Yet it was a joyous ending.

CHOREOGRAPHER-dancer Rina Badash has ideas: of bodies squirming and swaying, candles burning, balloons blown up and popping, water splashing. In three of her works at the Yaron Yerushalmi Theater in the Neveh Tzedek complex in Tel Aviv (May 14), the accent seemed to be on images rather then coherence. The relations of the high-energy movement to dance was not always clear.

Her solo *Flight from Tel Aviv to New York* showed an impressive agility – as indeed the other dancers did too in the other two works. In the second work, the main prop was an upholstered armchair over which a figure slithered, presumably to signify birth; and a stream of gift packages were perhaps tokens of the passage of time.

The most ambitious work, *See Stars*, was more elaborate. Figures wallowed in water puddles on the floor, balloons were strung across the stage and lit candles put under them. The effect was of a sort of "*laterna non magica*."



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BUSINESS & FINANCE

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Dollar sets low against yen

LONDON (Reuter) – The dollar came under renewed pressure yesterday, sliding below 100 yen to set post-war lows against the Japanese currency, as central banks kept their powder dry for another day.

The dollar flirted with the 100-yen barrier all day and finally slid below it – although not decisively – in the European afternoon. In New York, the dollar sank to 99.60 yen, breaking through the low of 99.85 yen set there last Tuesday.

The battered US currency earlier hit a post-war low of 99.50 yen in Tokyo despite massive Bank of Japan buying support to the tune of $1 billion.

The US Federal Reserve and the other central banks who joined in a $3b. intervention to aid the dollar with only brief effect on Friday made no move to repeat the dose.

And the Fed also did nothing to boost American short-term interest rates, despite market speculation that this was the easiest immediate way to avoid a full-scale dollar crisis and restore bond and stock markets to some stability.

The dollar was also weak against the German mark, falling to a new 1994 low of 1.5725 marks from 1.5850 on Friday.

"The market's been giving the dollar a little push all day to see what resistance it will come up against ... and trying to get the central banks to come out and play," said Carlo Galazzi, foreign exchange manager at Nikko Bank in London.

World stock markets, faced with continued uncertainty of a weak dollar that will hurt German and Japanese export trade with the US, were in gloomy mood most of the day.

But the London market began to claw its way back to the plus column in mid-morning as buyers sensed that key shares offered good value after the market's huge 20 percent slide since its February peak.

A 31 point fall was quickly erased and the FTSE-100 index ended 23 points ahead.

"People are very hesitant," said Nick Edwards of Yamaichi International in London. "Big institutions are watching very patiently and waiting. They believe there is value there."

Israel Corp. reportedly interested in buying IAI

ALON PINKAS

STATE-OWNED Israel Aircraft Industries reportedly held talks with the Israel Corporation, which expressed an interest in buying at least a part of the company.

IAI, which lost close to $400 million ($80m. in operating losses) last year and $148 million in 1992, is in the midst of a recovery and rehabilitation program in which it is expected to lay off 3,000 employees – some 20 percent of its workforce.

Earlier this year, the government transferred more than $300m. to the concern. Israel Corporation general manager and former defense minister Moshe Arens confirmed yesterday that his company has spoken with IAI officials, but insisted no serious negotiations will occur until the government decides to go ahead with IAI's privatization plans.

Prime Minister and Defense Minister Yitzhak Rabin has repeatedly said the country's defense industries should be partly privatized if they are to compete in a shrinking world arms market.

"I would give them to anyone willing to take them," Rabin said of the IAI and Israel Military Industries.

Frenkel slams banks' marketing campaigns

GALIT LIPKIS BECK

BANK of Israel Governor Jacob Frenkel yesterday criticized the banks' aggressive marketing campaigns.

Speaking at a luncheon held for the Association of Banks, Frenkel said it is important for banks to realize that the capital market is not always capable of dealing with marketing campaigns in certain fields of activity.

Frenkel cited the over-subscriptions of new offerings as an example of banks' aggressive marketing campaigns, which during the past year hindered the market.

In an attempt to shift the responsibility from the Bank of Israel, Frenkel said the central bank was against proposals to impose limits on borrowings to finance stock purchases and 100% liquidity limits.

"All along we claimed the solution to the problem lies in the elimination of maximum prices on new offerings," he said.

"We took suitable measures to eliminate maximum prices with the relevant authorities," Frenkel said. "The move was effective, but it is difficult to overcome the feeling that more restrained behavior from the banks, would have reduced the over subscription phenomeum."

Frenkel also criticized the banks' aggressive marketing of mutual funds at the end of last year.

He said the banks' actions to persuade investors to invest in the stock market did not match the capital market's capabilities and resulted in disappointed customers.

Treasury: Upward pressure on housing prices waning

JOSE ROSENFELD and RACHEL NEIMAN

THE upward pressure on housing prices weakened in recent months and is expected to wane further in coming months, Treasury economic adviser Tsipi Gal-Yam said yesterday.

Although the Bank of Israel has given up on the idea that the government's eight percent inflation goal for the year is attainable, Gal-Yam said the increase in available land for construction, together with other steps the government decided to undertake to lower housing prices, would help reach the goal.

The significant drop in unemployment during the first quarter of the year has caused the Treasury to readjust its predictions on this issue.

Instead of estimating average unemployment at 8.5% this year, Gal-Yam expects it to drop to 8%. Similarly, imports – which have surged during the first quarter – are expected to grow by 8.3% annually, instead of 7.2%.

The Treasury's economic growth estimates remain unchanged despite the slowdown during the second quarter. The Gross Domestic Product is expected to increase 6% this year, while the business product will rise 7.4%.

Meanwhile, Manufacturer Association president Dan Proper said the economy is "at a crossroads" between further growth, arrested development and recession.

"In our opinion, industry may hold the answer to problems [such as immigrant absorption in the workplace]," said Proper.

He then warned of potential obstacles within the next year, particularly housing costs, trade agreements in the private sector which increase volatility and rising salaries and employment expenses, which will leave little for investment.

Cellcom gets its cellular license

JUDY SIEGEL

THE Cellcom consortium yesterday received its license for running the country's second cellular phone service. At a ceremony in Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin's office, the license was handed to Cellcom officials by Communications Minister Shulamit Aloni, as Rabin and Finance Minister Avraham Shohat looked on.

A Communications Ministry tender committee last month chose Cellcom, which combines the Safra Brothers, BellSouth and Discount Investments. During the next three years, the consortium is to invest $300 million in the project, which, according to BellSouth vice president Roberto Peon, will be among the most advanced in the world.

Cellcom will offer digital cellular phone service starting December 27 in the Tel Aviv area. The entire country is to be covered by 280 transmitters in 15 months.

Panel approves bill eliminating long-term contracts between gas stations, companies

EVELYN GORDON

THE ministerial committee on legislation yesterday approved in principle a bill by Energy Minister Moshe Shahal, which would eliminate long-term contracts between gas stations and gas companies.

The committee, however, will only hold a vote on the bill in two weeks to give the ministers time to consider the Interior Ministry's objections.

The Interior Ministry is unhappy with a clause in the bill that would eliminate the nationwide minimum distance between gas stations, and instead let each local planning and building committee set its own rules. This, Shahal said, is essential to allow more gas stations to be built.

Shahal's bill states that after it goes into effect, gas stations will not be able to sign contracts with gas companies that last more than five years.

As for existing contracts – many of which are for 30 years or even longer – the bill creates four categories.

The first consists of the 70-80 stations where the gas company did not make any significant investment in the station. These contracts would become void 60 days after the law takes effect.

Contracts for the second category, comprising some 130 stations where the gas companies actually paid for a large part of the equipment, would become void in the year 2000.

The third category consists of some 200 stations where the gas company actually leased the land. These contracts would become void only in the year 2020.

The fourth category – 70-80 stations belonging to the IDF – will not be affected by the law.

The bill also states that if stations and gas companies engage in price-fixing after the law is passed, the heads of these companies and stations will be personally liable for punishment.

Shahal told the Knesset economics committee yesterday that the ministerial legislation committee wants to give the station owners and gas companies two weeks to try to work out an acceptable arrangement to eliminate the long-term contracts by themselves.

"If they haven't reached an arrangement in two weeks, I expect the government bill will be approved," he said.

But in any case, he added, the government would oppose any private bills on the subject, such as the one by MK Dan Tichon (Likud) which the committee is now preparing for its second and third reading. He therefore asked the committee to wait until the government bill is ready.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Shohat backs move of ICL headquarters to Beersheba: Finance Minister Avraham Shohat issued a statement yesterday in support of moving Israel Chemicals headquarters to Beersheba from Ramat Gan. He apparently issued the statement in response to criticism from the Knesset Negev caucus that he was not publicly pushing for the move.

Shohat said in the statement the headquarters' natural place was in the south, and its relocation to the Negev would encourage development and bring jobs to the area. But though he said ICL would eventually make the decision and move, he does "not believe that ministers should interfere in the decisions of companies and impose their views on them." *Amir Rozenblit*

Hassneh former directors petition High Court: Hassneh former directors yesterday asked the High Court of Justice to let them appeal the Tel Aviv District Court's decision to approve Hassneh's arrangement plan. The 13 former directors claim the new A70 insurance supervision law contradicts Basic Law: Human Dignity and Freedom. The law gives preference to small creditors over the larger ones, such as insurance companies.

Adacom shares plummet 46%: Adacom shares nosedived 46 percent yesterday to 45.8 from 84.8 on Sunday, on fears the company would reach a debt in equity. At one point in the day, shares fell to a low of 35 points. Company equity last year was reported at $5.85 million, but Adacom has suffered a series of blows since then, including a net loss of NIS 22.7m. for the first quarter and a $6.6m. lawsuit filed by Geotek. Adacom brought a countersuit against Geotek, saying the sum was part of an agreement in principle for the purchase of subsidiary Iturit. A NIS 55.5m. class action suit was filed last week against the company by one of its shareholders.

Bill approved allowing non-graduates to be heads of state firms: The Knesset law committee yesterday approved a bill which would allow people to serve as chairmen or managing directors of government companies, even if they do not have a university degree. The bill, sponsored by Eli Dayan (Labor), will now go to the plenum for its second and third readings.

Currently, in order to be chairman or managing director of a state firm, one must have a university degree plus five years of managerial experience. However, the Government Companies Authority found that the academic requirement prevented many people with broad experience, who could contribute greatly to the company, from receiving these appointments.

Dayan's bill stipulates that the academic requirement can be waived if the candidate has at least 12 years of managerial experience, including six years of experience in the company's field of operations.

The committee is also considering another amendment to the Government Companies Law which would require the ministers in charge to appoint a certain number of women to the boards of such firms. Currently, relatively few women serve on the boards of government companies, despite promises by various ministers to try to rectify this imbalance.

WORLD BRIEFS

Coffee prices leap 40% on Brazilian frosts: Coffee prices leapt by up to 40 percent yesterday after news that the worst frost since 1981 had hit key coffee producing areas in Brazil, the world's largest supplier. Immediately there were warnings that retail prices were likely to follow.

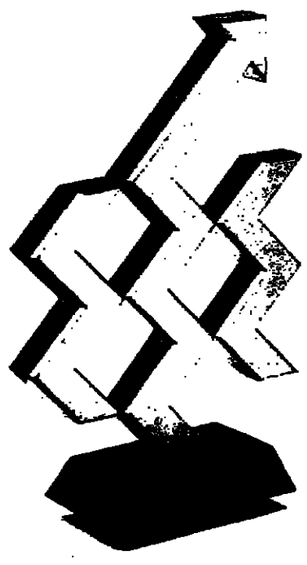
In a hectic London market the price for delivery in September jumped to $3,150 a tonne, its highest since November 1986 and the biggest daily rise in living memory. "It caught everyone off-guard ... Everyone was very nonchalant about the chance of a freeze," said Ian Smaldon, commercial director of coffee company Tristao UK. The market later slipped back to $2,850 but even at that price was triple 1993 levels. *Reuter*

Kemper accepts Conseco's $3.25 billion offer: Kemper Corp., after turning down an initial takeover offer from General Electric Co.'s financial services unit, yesterday accepted a higher $3.25 billion bid from Indiana insurer Conseco Inc. Kemper said it signed a definitive merger agreement with Conseco following a meeting of its board Sunday night. Conseco had set a midnight deadline for Kemper to respond to its offer, made Thursday. Under the agreement, Carmel, Indiana-based Conseco will pay $56 a share, plus $11 represented in Conseco stock, for each common share of Kemper stock. *Reuter*

West German June inflation falls to 2.9%: West German annual inflation slowed to 2.9 percent in June from 3% in May, provisional figures released by the Federal Statistics Office yesterday showed. In May too, the provisional figure, which is based on data from four west German states, had showed a 2.9% annual rate, but this was then revised up to 3% in the final calculation. Inflation there was last below 3% in 1991. *Reuter*

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B'nai B'rith to establish mutual funds

GALIT LIPKIS BECK

B'NAI B'RITH yesterday announced plans to establish a series of open-ended mutual funds to encourage investment in Israel.

B'nai B'rith president Kent Schiner said the organization will market two programs aimed at encouraging members to invest in the Israeli economy.

The Israel Opportunities Fund and Leadership Trust, an investment management firm which will market a family of eight funds, plans to market three equity funds, two bond funds and three money market funds.

Schiner said Israel Opportunities Fund and Leadership Trust will be marketed through 10 - 15 partnership banks.

"The fund was created to bring dollars into Israel for the purpose of developing business," Schiner said. "The fund plans to invest most of its assets in shares traded on the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange. The fund is for any investor who feels Israel is a place of growth."

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U.S. dollar ($250,000)	3.875	4.250	4.875
Pound sterling (£100,000)	3.500	3.875	4.500
German mark (DM 200,000)	4.000	4.000	4.125
Swiss franc (SF 200,000)	3.250	3.375	3.500
Yen (10 million yen)	0.500	0.625	0.875

(Rates vary higher or lower than indicated according to deposit)

Shekel Foreign Exchange Rates* (27.6.94)

	CHECKS AND TRANSFERS		BANKNOTES		Rep. Rates**
	Buy	Sell	Buy	Sell	
Currency basket	3.3510	3.3980	—	—	3.3686
U.S. dollar	3.0228	3.0655	2.97	3.11	3.0420
German mark	1.9139	1.9409	1.88	1.97	1.9220
Pound sterling	4.7014	4.7678	4.61	4.83	4.7226
French franc	0.5635	0.5693	0.54	0.57	0.5610
Japanese yen (100)	3.0219	3.0846	2.97	3.11	3.0352
Dutch florin	1.7068	1.7309	1.68	1.76	1.7142
Swiss franc	2.2822	2.3146	2.24	2.35	2.2916
Swedish krone	0.3969	0.4025	0.39	0.41	0.3986
Norwegian krone	0.4392	0.4455	0.43	0.45	0.4413
Danish krone	0.4870	0.4938	0.48	0.50	0.4888
Finnish mark	0.5754	0.5836	0.57	0.59	0.5783
Canadian dollar	2.1736	2.2043	2.14	2.24	2.1885
Australian dollar	2.1870	2.2179	2.12	2.25	2.1992
S. African rand	0.8362	0.8480	0.66	0.83	0.8418
Belgian franc (10)	0.9294	0.9425	0.91	0.96	0.9331
Austrian schilling (10)	2.7196	2.7580	2.67	2.80	2.7308
Italian lira (1000)	1.9358	1.9631	1.89	2.00	1.9483
Jordanian dinar	—	—	4.25	4.51	4.3186
Egyptian pound	—	—	0.87	0.92	0.9658
ECU	3.8636	3.7154	—	—	3.8818
Irish punt	4.6284	4.6917	4.52	4.80	4.6357
Spanish peseta (100)	2.3185	2.3492	2.25	2.41	2.3263

* These rates vary according to bank. ** Bank of Israel.

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Key Representative Rates

		Change
US dollar	...NIS 3.0420	- 0.07%
Sterling	.....:NIS 4.7226	+ 0.24%
Mark	.....NIS 1.9220	+ 0.47%

INT'L STOCK MARKETS

New York market indexes

	Last	Change
DJ Industrials	3886.18	+48.24
DJ Transport	1801.86	+11.82
DJ Utils	179.18	+1.45
DJ Comp	1283.1	+13.58
NYSE Indexe	303.7	+2.57
NYSE Transport	242.36	+1.21
NYSE Comp	246.56	+2.01
S&P 100	414.67	+4.74
S&P Spot Index	447.63	+4.83
AMEX Comp	425.03	-1.27

NYSE stocks

Unchanged	Advances	Declines
movements +655	1070	1052

Volume up (in 1000's)	146140
Volume down (in 1000's)	88467

Other stock market indexes

	Last*	Change
FTSE 100	2868.9	+23.3
Tokyo Nikkei average	20800.9	-465.8
Singapore all-share index	543.27	-8.27
Hong Kong Hang Seng index	8647.48	-333.52

Israeli stocks in NY

	Last	Change
NYSE / AMEX		
Am Is Pap	42.5	+0.5
Ampal A	7.125	-0.125
Arpt	1.75	-0.25
Biotech	2.4375	-0.1875
Comsat Cont	9	+0
Elscint Chem-Fiuteron	2.25	0
Elscint	1.875	-0.125
Elz Lavud	7.625	-0.125
Elz Lavud A	8.375	-0.125
Laser Indx C	5.25	-0.25
ITCC	29.125	-0.625
Tadiran	15	-0.375
NASDAQ / over-the-counter		
Aladdin	4.5	-0.625
4D	3.5	-0.25
Ampal B.5	21.5	0
BVR Tech	4.75	-1
Conversa Tech.	8.625	+0.0625
Data Sys	7.25	-0.25
ECI Tel	16.875	+0.375
Edunexa	4.25	0
Edu-Soft	7.125	+0.125
Electric Fuel	7.5	-0.5
EPFI	16.5	+0.5
Elbit	19.5	-1.5
Elron	9.75	-0.375
Elscint Rotronic	0.8875	-0.0625
M. Systemp	3	+0
Gilat	9.25	+0.125
IDG	2.5	+0
Gicotek	8.25	-0.25
Health Tech	2.375	+0.0625
Idan	1.5313	-0.0625
IES	5.125	+0
Indigo	14.25	+0.25
Interpharm	18	-0.25
First Isr Fund	12.5	-0.125
Isrel	0.59375	-0.09125
Lannet	6.75	+0
Lanoptics	7	+0
Magal	5.5	+0.375
Medis-El	4.75	+0
Magic	2	+0
Orbotech	7.375	+0
Oshap Tech	2.0625	-0.3125
Rada	3	-0.125
Robomatics	2	+0
Sapiens	3.875	+0.375
Scitex	17.25	+0.75
Silicon	3.375	-0.25
T.A.T. Technol	3.125	+0
Teva Vit	5.5	+0.125
Teledata	12.75	-0.25
Telegraph	2.125	-0.375
Teva	24.25	+0
TWS	1.375	-0.125

(All listings are closing quotes)

Source: CommStock Trading Ltd. (Date 26-JUN-94)

INT'L MONEY MARKETS

Dollar crossrates (US)

		Last	Change
Pound:	spot	1.5442	-0.01
	Sep.future (CME)	1.542	-0.0092
D-mark:	spot	1.5693	+0.0042
	Sep.future (CME)	0.6308	+0.0002
S-franc:	spot	1.328	+0
	Sep.future (CME)	0.7537	+0.0001
Yen:	spot	100.55	+0
	Sep.future (CME)	0.010016	+0
CanDlr:	spot	1.3857	-0.0043
	Sep.future (CME)	0.7182	+0.0022
AusDlr:	spot	0.7228	-0.001
	Sep.future (CME)	0.7214	-0.0008
F-franc:	spot	5.4275	-0.001
B Lire:	spot	1581	-1.65
Nis:	spot	1.7768	+0.0013
AusShlg:	spot	11.085	-0.115
Rand:	spot	3.615	-0.005
ECU:	spot	1.2085	-0.0002
Bonds	future	103.25	+0.0125
S and P	future	448.95	+0.85

Libor rates

		Last	Change
Dollar	3 months	4 75	0
Dollar	6 months	5.0625	+0 0625
Dollar	12 months	5.75	0
Sterling	3 months	5.1875	0
Sterling	6 months	5.5	0
Sterling	12 months	6.25	+0.0625
S-franc	3 months	4.3125	0
S-franc	6 months	4.375	0
S-franc	12 months	4.625	0
D-mark	3 months	5	0
D-mark	6 months	5	0
D-mark	12 months	5.25	+0.0625
Yen	3 months	2.125	0
Yen	6 months	2.25	0
Yen	12 months	2.4375	-0.0625

(Spot market listings are from approximately 23:30 Israel time. All others are closing quotes.)

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US commodities

	Last	Change
Cocoa (Jul) (CEC)	1247	-24
Coffee (Jul) (CEC)	169.75	+3.5
Sugar no.11 (Jul.) (CEC)	11.57	-0.57
Wheat (Jul) (CBOT)	313.25	-1.75
Soybeans(Jul)(CBOT)	659.25	-4.25
Orange juice (Jul)(CEC)	87.95	+1.2
Crude oil light (Jul)(CEC)	20.04	+0

London commodities

	Last	Change
Cocoa (Jul) (LCE)	855	+8
Coffee (Jul) (LCE)	2608	+560
Wheat (Sep)(LCE)	102.25	0
Brent crude oil (Jul)(IPE)	-	-

Spot market metals (US)

		Last	Change
Gold:	spot	384.85	-8.5
Silver	spot	5.28	-0.14

New York metal futures

	Last	Change
Gold (Aug)	386.4	-8.8
Silver (Jul)	5.245	-0.165
Platinum (Jul.)	397.5	-8.2
Palladium (Sep.)	139.15	+0.2
High-grade copper (Jul)	.1 1035	+0.0014

London metal fixes

	Last	Change
Gold AM fix	390.25	-9.45
Gold PM fix	389.25	-9.66
Silver fix	5.39	-1.7
Platinum PM fix	400.75	-3.25

Month in parentheses signals contract exp. date*

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TEL AVIV STOCKS

Multi-sided trading

Commercial Banks

Name	Price	%chg
FirstWr1	2.90	
FirstWr2	3853	
General	5525	-4.3
IndDevOD		
IndDvPrD		
LeumiWr1		
MercC	200	-2.9
OHH	729000	
Trade	740	-0.5
TrepoC1	184.50	

Mortgage Banks & Finance

Name	Price	%chg
Adanim	340804	0.5
Clalmal	838	-2.0
ClalmC3	279	-2.1
DevMB	17379	-0.1
FirstMB	39015	-1.0
IndevMB	60882	-2.0
J IssnC	118.00	-4.4
J IssW	77.50	1.3
JlemBnk	289	-5.6
LeumiMBR	92138	-2.0
Mishkan	28933	-2.2
MishkanC	177.00	-5.1
Mizrhi	6524	-4.0
TefahotB	174800	
TefahotR	163367	-7.9

Financial Institutions

Name	Price	%chg
Shikun	7769	-4.7

Insurance

Name	Price	%chg
IsrosBnr1	1854	-1.3
Ararat	1810	
Ayalon	468	-2.2
AyalonC	283	-5.4
Elran	338	
ElranC1	202	8.5
Hachsr1	1242	-3.5
Hachsr5	1158	-3.5
HamshmrC	203	
Hamshmr1	1357	-2.6
Hamshmr5	1358	
Menorah1	1102	
Menorah5	1111	
Phoenix1	4035	-1.0
Phoenix5	3981	-10.0
Sahar	483	
Zion5	7634	

Trade & Services

Name	Price	%chg
Hashmira	603	
Hahsu	918	
Assuta	1322	
AssutaC1	242	-9.4
Bezan	1555	-4.0
BezakW2	148.00	-14.9
BndWhC1	129.00	
BndWhC2	121.50	
BondWrh1 L	8.625	3.2
ClalgA1	77727	
ClalCmpC	289	
ClalTrW5	126.00	-8.7
CorDesch	1911	0.3
CoOp	1072	-0.5
Crystal	2938	-5.0
DanHot1	2288	
DCL	660	0.3
DCLW	180.00	
Elad	173.00	
Feldman	227	0.4
GanHador	265	-3.6
GanHadC	191.50	-2.0
GlisgS2	177.50	
GlsrmC1	113.00	-2.2
GrnlsW2	126.00	-0.9
HGICt	128.50	0.4
HGIW1	90.00	-8.2
HGIt	466	-0.2
Isigsrna1	3528	
Isigsrna5	3326	
Isrel	1800	-3.9
Ursc	1295	-2.0
Melli	1088	-8.6
MedtechW	572	
MedtechW	724	
MLLC1	155.50	
Repac	1898	
Reshet	142.00	-3.1
ReshetC1	118.50	-0.8
Teamr	485	-1.0
TeamC1	188.00	
TeamC2		
Telsys	1106	
Teptine	307	
YaadC1	112.50	
Yesne	1230	-2.0
Yesfe1	830	-4.9
Yona	882	-1.9

Industrials

Name	Price	%chg
ashotashk	238	-9.8
elecsco	1305	-5.0
Imco	479	-5.0
solog	480	-2.5
wilger	331	
wilcohldwt	363	0.6
AdanaC	119.00	2.6
AdindC	310	
AdocomC2	16.10	-30.3
Allenby	977	
Alony I	1.1	
AlonyWr1	19.80	-0.5
AlumWr11L	9778	
Angel	10238	
Argaman	159	-1.8
AryaC1	95.00	
Ashoky	1954	-8.7
AshpkyC1	164.50	-0.8
AshpkyW2	918	-11.5
AshersWr1		
Ashirom	294	
Atarion	575	
AtzmonWr1	191.50	-2.3

Azmuth	468	-1.1
Belmon	485	-9.4
BoulosC1	783.00	-5.4
Cables C2	293	
CablesC3	122.00	
CablesW3	344	-6.3
Caridna	1047	-0.3
Cargal	1202	
Casino	1320	-4.0
Chem	502	-0.6
ChemWr1	36.50	-8.9
ClalIsrC	226	-2.9
ClalSecU.1	2226	4.3
Clind Cll	179.50	
DyckmaW	3968	-12.5
Dyckma1	8716	
Dyckma5	6842	-2.5
DyckmC1	146.00	
DyckmC2	122.50	-3.2
Dshkmc	174.00	
DshkmW2	1699	-0.2
Eshkm1	3357	-0.5
Dscwcn	520	-4.9
Dsgarn1	1148	-1.2
Delta 1	1528	-0.2
Delta3	1565	-1.0
DubekB	11003	
DubekR	11066	
EagleC		
EagleC2	46.00	
EagleW3	33.50	
Eagle1	93.00	
Edger	316	-0.3
EdgarC2	127.00	
EldanTec	78.50	
ElecWr1	1988	-11.0
Elecind	4943	-1.0
Elchmca	1088	
ElchtW1	72.00	-10.0
Elchr 0.5	6958	-1.8
ElscmC4	224	-1.3
ElsuC	249	1.6
EsrnEtsec	413	-1.9
Eyrot	488	-0.4
Fertlzr5	20988	-10.0
FertB.1	2535	-10.0
FeuchtW1	4488	
FeuchtW5	3645	-0.2
Fire J	329	-3.6
FrutmrC1	1993.50	
FrutarC2	1625.0	0.6
GibonC1	80.00	-3.0
GiltonSub	488	0.4
GiltonW2	694	-0.4
Golan	1169	-3.5
Harmn1	3215	-10.0
Hasahal7	308	-8.8
Hasahal5	1513.50	0.7
Hod	224	
Hotlr	167.00	
IsrCm1	2578	-0.5
Jet-ca	694	-2.1
Kadimany1	213	-8.6
Kadara	5708	
KadarnC2	1750.50	-3.1
Kator	411	-1.9
KbanC1	1360	
KbanW1		
KBS	2188	
Lipski	2882	-2.0
Lodzia1	1443	-0.5
Lodzia5	1163	-0.5
LubotGal	1800.00	-10.0
MacPell	270	
Magam	334	-1.2
Maxima1	1028	0.5
Maxima5	992	-0.5
Mel Eden	914	2.0
Modgal	832	-2.3
Mosalm1	528	
Mosalm5	482	-1.0
NagCeram	438	
Nahusa1	971	-3.6
Nahusa5	881	
Navkot	521	
NavkotW1		
Nica1	1187	-2.0
NUMC	480	
Ofic	738	
Ophir	232	
Orbit1	401	
Ortec	488	-0.9
PazlavW2	2275	-2.0
Pargod	2262	
PlatChem	577	
Pita	917	-0.5
PolgatA	421	
PolgatC1	1725.50	
Polygon	854	1.3
PolygonC	1650	-2.1
PQS	761	-0.3
Rabinsn	910	-14.7
RabinsW	225	-16.4
Sanitas1	983	
Sanyo1	1094	
Sano5	974	
Satan	578	
Shermen	1468	
Soprna	603	-3.0
Steel	140.00	
Sunfrost	3507	2.0
Tal	4988	-2.0
Tadiran	987	-0.5
TadirC	1980	
Tadna	888	
Thr	980	-5.0
Tobtas1	284	-5.0
Topper	235	-3.2
TATC1	1852.50	
TAT1	480	
Unitber1	1152	
Unitber5	437	
Vitalgo1	971	
Vulcan	207	-5.0
VulcanC	153.50	-1.9
Wandmon	12693	
WandmW3	7152	-1.0
YeonfC2	304	-2.9
Zeiravi	209	-1.3
Zilan1	1477	-8.8
Zilan5	1484	-8.3
Zilkt1	4211	
Zilkt5	4123	
ZionCab1	1247	
Zoherind	923	

Property, Building & Agriculture

Name	Price	%chg
Jacobstr	286	
Ismed	423	-0.5
IsrsRsl	598	
Y.stang	160.00	-5.9
Atrov	1974	-3.0
AtrovC		
AtrovWr1L	336	-13.7
Avsam	314	
Avsam C1	188.50	
Avtadan1	1188	-3.5
Avsia	1986	
AsetaC4	151.00	
AssiaW2	708	-8.0
AstorC1	345	
AstorProp	484	-2.0
Bareket1	1232	-4.7
BayaldC5	24542	-2.0
BayaldC1	25484	-1.0
BenYaKar	3244	
BenYaKrW1	888	
BenYhorC	92.00	-0.6
BridgRsn	4484	
Consctr	1875	-8.8
DanKnor	1488	-3.6
DanKnorC	158.50	
Danad1	288	-2.5
Dunbar	5519	-5.0
DunbarOw	509	
Engel	595	-0.7
EshKHous	2307	
EshKhusC	180.50	
Hilan	434	-8.1
HilanWrt	316	-4.8
Isram	2483	
Isrsfarm	1800	
IsrsAmC	292	
IsrsAmW	7716	-8.2
IsrsaC1	192.50	
Isrsa0.5	6258	-3.0
Isrsa1	1301	-4.6
ICP5	26170	-2.0
Jaysour1	285	
Jordan	387	-8.1
LadC1	86.00	3.6
LsondaW1	1.00	
Lsonlok	271	-10.0
LshlsA5	287	-0.5
LsrtanY1	4942	-3.9
MalibuC		
MalibuC2	108.00	
Malibu1	861	-2.5
MdLadC	2231	
MarLasC2	201.50	1.1
MarLasW3	194.50	-10.0
Mirrav	6314	-2.0
Mishmrot	271	
MTM	2265	-8.2
NeotAviv	1089	-3.7
PitOr	5983	-1.5
RedSea	529	-2.6
RogowsI1L	1149	
RogowsI5	1120	-4.0
Rotem	489	
SaharHal		
Secom	276	-3.6
Shaked	573	-0.5
Teshuv	776	-0.8

Investment Companies

Name	Price	%chg
Ieya	1397	
Adasd1	1024	
Adasr2	952	-1.2
AfisrC	453	-3.6
Amps	142000	-3.2
Arad	7280	-10.0
Asr stC2	201	-8.2
ClalW3	1626	-1.9
Clal83	6226	
DanSecC	201	
DanSecr1	2472	-0.5
Elsm	2808	-0.2
Emeh	353	0.3
ExpcnC4	207	-2.4
ElmC1	467	-9.6
Hlmn5	7695	
IDLC5	181.00	-1.8
KardanS1	485	
KardanS2		
Klbt	897	-2.0
Magar1	2530	1.0
Magar5	2430	-0.7
Molex	577	
OclC1	122.00	0.8
OclW1	2978	-1.0
Oler	8880	-10.0
Pamal0.1	991	-2.3
Rim1	455	-5.0
Rim4	392	-0.5
SshekDev	2210	
Securits	2941	0.5
SecuroC	120.50	
SecuroW	716	-3.0
SAPANHASP	843	
TayoC	328	
TastC1	176.50	
TaxdShmr	85.00	-5.0
TaurW3	1230	-33.5
Unico	5103	

Oil Exploration

Name	Price	%chg
JoelC1	172.50	
JoelC1A	172.00	0.6
MGN1	10180	0.5

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Trade & Services

Name	Price	%chg
arishsl	575	-3.0
artis	909	-3.0
glisk	487	-8.0
Hishre	282	-1.5
Isrbuma	223	
mivshalsa	767	
mivnys	2427	-1.3

rednetnt	312	
tkn	321	0.5
Atgn	2089	-0.2
AtsnWr1	1289	-0.2
Comrsc	881	
Delin1	2828	0.5
Dsnd	1157	
Dsnly	3214	-8.0
Data	1631	-8.7
Elbtch	831	1.9
Greenbrg	766	
ILDCHOT	535	-2.6
Kind	204	-2.8
Kopel	251	-10.0
KopelC1	182.00	
MZPK	457	-4.0
Nirun1	264	-5.6
TrendLn	1382	-7.9

Property, Building

Name	Price	%chg
adom	361	-1.4
alonbatz	86.50	-7.5
gnandor	186.50	-8.9
Handor	974	1.2
Adler	348	
Casirea1	8038	-0.2
Gasit	731	3.2
GlobW1	438	
GuolC1	327	
Lsrelctr	144.00	-9.4
Lsrelstn1	888	-8.1
Meliaron	1035	-1.9
Ot	228	-2.1
Resnco	1918	
Scandia	7345	-0.5
ScandiaC	1188.50	-5.2
UnicornG1	1118.50	
Unicorn1	146.00	-2.4
Unicorn5	144.50	
UnicorW3	105.00	-1.4

Industrials

Name	Price	%chg
aboodlegn	227	
isodoorlegn	548	
Ispman	1518	
mashkhld	522	-1.9
nikca	1302	-0.2
pityon	229	9.4
rachart	2080	
techem	829	-1.3
tomsaer	1220	0.2
vsamtrk	386	0.3
Alnmetal	1175	-8.3
Adumrim1	295	
Bar—Tom1	1782	-10.0
Barsdn1	1272	31.8
Barsdn5	496	8.5
Brash1	418	-3.8
Dedar	1915	
Elbarn	238	-7.9
Gell	990.00	
Hamsn	1396	-2.0
King1	1050	1.9
Lahish1	3922	
MamC1	1540.00	
Mam1	482	-4.0
MLT	1404	
Nsca	22731	
NscaG1	1850.00	
Osdsib	611	0.3
Otsott	552	-1.1
OrasIC	101.50	-2.8
OrdaPrnt	1410	
Polisk1	735	-3.9
Shikbot	1853.50	-10.6
Tasas	852	-3.0
TibnvlG1		

Investment Companies

Name	Price	%chg
darban1	1151	-8.7
Ider	724	-5.0
marathon	88.00	
Mnyan	109.50	-7.9
Mrge		
MtvaltG1		
Opime	281	-0.4
Ragan1	382	1.1
Yisum	108.50	-2.7

Oil Exploration

Name	Price	%chg
isramcon2	5.20	
DBDDsr1	2888	-8.2
Naphtha	19.80	

Two-sided trading

	AFTERNOON			MORNING		
Name	Price	% Change	Volume Shares	Price	% Change	Volume Shares
buildipr	838		8400	838		5115
nacional	2057	0.2	32000	2052		16895
walfson	95596	-0.2		95596	-0.3	115
Abjac	59.0	-10.0	1420000	59.0	-9.9	634914
Ackerlin	535	-2.5	20000	534	-2.7	14940
Adacom	45.8	-45.7	455000	51.0	-39.6	154023
Afris 0.	319909	-3.0	320	319908	-3.0	170
Afrisr	295038	-2.5	462	298064	-1.5	189
Agan	3814	-1.7		3814	-1.8	5238
Agis	1789	-0.2	4800	1793		4000
Aryt	550	-7.2	26000	590	-0.5	7479
Avner	14.5	-9.5	2470000	14.5	-9.4	880464
Azorim	3710	-1.2	46350	3757		12359
ALPM	12717	-1.0	4680	12845		771
Bezek	546	-2.7	430500	550	-2.0	282559
Boulo	250	-1.0	156000	250	-1.2	70030
Cables	1492	0.5	5000	1492	0.5	20283
Clal Com	15524	-4.0	50	15565	-3.7	170
Clal Ele	31696	-2.0	2760	32020	-1.0	2264
Clal Tra	908	-1.2	13200	910	-1.0	17500
Clal 10	7915	1.2	86200	7817		5001
Clalins	1691	-0.7	90000	1678	-1.5	10612
Clalsr 5	1885	-0.5	7700	1866	-1.5	2382
Clinds	1775		90000	1775		13923
CohenDev	846	-8.7	18000	844	-10.1	19528
Danbar 5	2117	0.7	3500	2122	1.0	4872
Dead Sea	1028	-0.7	34200	1036		19910
Delek	7770	1.0	18800	7693		3619
Discinv	21281	-1.0	7470	21281	-1.0	3868
Elbit	20011	-3.2	5040	20424	-1.3	3838
Elco	7471	-3.0	6500	7452	-3.2	3080
Elite 5	1388	-1.5	22500	1402	-0.5	43022
Elron	10063	-2.2	6300	10063	-2.3	3781
Evergr n	2013	-9.7	9000	2013	-9.7	9467
Export	1287	-4.7	18000	1270	-6.0	3488
Fibi	40345	-5.0	1600	41300	-2.8	333
Formula	1497	-6.2	8800	1485	-7.0	7410
Frstint1	30151	-1.0	960	30151	-1.0	513
Frstint5	30089	-0.7	480	30013	-1.0	389
Frutarom	691	-1.0	20000	688		13650
Gehsler	5845	1.7	18920	5744		3731
Granit	499	0.5	64000	497		61543
Hapoalm	307	-2.2	295000	304	-3.2	281359
Hapolm	9989	-1.7	3750	10122	-0.2	6109
IndBldg	386		-585000	386		157952
IndDevBK	27800	-8.2	250	27649	-8.7	586
Isramco	19.7	-1.7	9120000	20.0		3131483
IsrCorp1	24330	-2.5	1740	24842	-1.3	587
IsrCorp5	23361	-0.5	350	23478		469
IsChem	216	0.2	918000	213	-0.9	177943
IDB	1036	-1.2	129200	1044	-0.5	62711
IDBDev	60413	-1.0	2130	60260	-1.3	93
ILDC	1150	-1.7	93600	1170		33979
JEC	983	-2.5	55000	995	-1.3	26668
JOEL	252	-2.2	192000	258		195305
Kardan5	414	0.5	50000	413	0.2	74087
Kitan	1143	-1.7	12000	1140	-2.0	77773
Klill	2404			2404		1600
Koor	19834	-0.2	14000	19685	-1.0	7651
Leumi	303	-2.2	258000	302	-2.6	128277
LeumiW2	5.5	-7.5	1350000	5.9		1017572
Lifshiz1	262	1.2	50000	259		51096
Makhteah	1536	-2.0	43500	1543	-1.5	31851
Malibu5	624	-9.0	16500	823	-9.2	4951
Mamen	779	-1.7	21000	773	-2.5	14800
Merit1	2422	-5.5	6300	2428	-5.3	10503
Mashov	574	-1.2	18400	580	-0.2	37305
Mehadrin	12978	-1.5	600	12912	-2.0	914
MeirEzra	4708	-6.5	14700	4834	-4.0	2598
Mivtah	1218	0.2	22400	1213		2219
Multilock	1693	-1.0	9000	1693	-1.0	9706
MGN5	7039	1.0		7039	1.0	2447
MLL1	420	-0.7		420	-0.7	12682
NatolIDS	41.3	-6.5	150000	40.7	-7.9	159210
Oclf	6770	-0.5	400	6787	-0.2	5879
Ormat	760	-2.0	66600	760	-1.9	29883
Osem	1718	-8.2	153600	1797	-4.0	67107
OsemW1						
PazoilEx	229	-2.5	7000	228	-2.6	11836
Pecker	12552	-0.2	960	12583		1925
Periclas	2501	-2.2	31500	2568		6604
Petrchem	644	-2.0	24000	644	-2.0	59812
Pinyon	12179	-4.2	1530	12052	-5.3	294
PolgatB	478	-2.0	4000	478	-2.0	42167
Poseidon	160.0	-2.2	32000	160.0	-2.1	35534
Rogosin	3675	-1.2	13500	3713	-0.2	8227
SelaPump	177.0	-4.5	260000	180.0	-3.0	81136
SupersB	5614	-0.5	18000	5642		2255
Tambour	740	-1.5		740	-1.5	9756
Tempo1	1118	-1.0	7200	1129		7912
Teva	71982	-2.5	5400	72730	-1.5	1609
TevaC	404	-0.5		404	-0.5	59691
Tibnveal	682	-1.7	5000	694		1800
TAT5	392	-8.0	65000	403	-6.5	47780
Urdan 0.	355	-0.2	18000	356		43952
Yasd	649	-5.2		648	-5.3	5322
Ytong	774	-0.7	50000	780		40996

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Shares slide again as public sits on sidelines

TEL AVIV STOCK MARKET

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Two-Sided Index	Maof Index	Karam Index
166.89 -1.65%	178.26 -1.42%	159.51 -1.66%

THE market continued its downward slide yesterday, as the Two-Sided Index fell 1.6 percent, the Maof 1.4% and the Karam Index 1.7%.

Most noticeable was the extremely low turnover, only NIS 130 million.

The public is largely sitting on its hands, participating in the market only is a slow trickle of mutual fund redemptions, which are putting that part of the institutional market on the defensive.

It was hard to tell to what extent the declines were a reaction to the Bank of Israel announcement of a rise in interest rate paid by banks for monetary loans, which will lead to a general rise of 0.5% of the prime rate by the end of the week.

The Bank of Israel announced its monetary tenders for July would be the same amount as in June, so no tightening of the money supply is expected.

What is significant,

Garrison upsets Sanchez

WIMBLEDON (AP) – Zina Garrison Jackson led a charge of five American women into Wimbledon's quarterfinals with a dramatic three-set upset yesterday of second-seeded Arantxa Sanchez Vicario.

The Spaniard had become the favorite after Lori McNeil's first-round upset of defending champion Steffi Graf. But Garrison Jackson, a finalist here in 1990, won for only the second time in 10 career meetings, 7-5, 4-6, 6-3 in a two-and-a-half-hour thriller.

Never before had the two top-seeded women been ousted before the quarterfinals.

McNeil, nine-time champion Martina Navratilova and first-time Wimbledon quarterfinalists Gigi Fernandez and Lindsay Davenport also advanced. Davenport with a rout of slumping Gabriela Sabatini. Not since 1985 have five American women gone so far here.

American men also did well. Top-seeded Pete Sampras, yet to lose a set in four matches, overwhelmed Daniel Vacek of the Czech Republic, 6-4, 6-1, 7-6 (7-5), and 10th seeded Michael Chang ousted French Open champion Sergi Bruguera of Spain, 6-4, 7-6 (9-7), 6-0 to set up one of the quarterfinals.

Chang, seeded 10th, got past the fourth round for the first time in seven Wimbledons.

In an all-American battle, sixth-seeded Todd Martin staved off a comeback bid by former champion Andre Agassi and reached the quarterfinals for the second straight year with a 6-3, 7-5, 6-7 (7-0), 4-6, 6-1 victory.

Martin will play unseeded Wayne Ferriera of South Africa, who beat Jonas Bjorkman of Sweden, 6-3, 6-7 (7-2), 6-4, 6-3.

Fourth-seeded Goran Ivanisevic, another big server, lost his first set in four matches, but beat Alexander Volkov of Russia, 7-6 (7-3), 7-6 (8-6), 4-6, 6-2 with 36 aces, the most so far in the tournament.

Shelton, playing his third consecutive five-setter, lost to Sweden's Christian Bergstrom, 3-6, 6-3, 3-6, 6-3, 10-8. Shelton's only easy match was his first, a straight-sets upset of Stich.

Navratilova, in her farewell Wimbledon at age 37, crushed Helena Sukova, 6-1, 6-2, slamming an ace on match point to move a step closer to her 10th title.

"It's nice to have an easy one physically," Navratilova said. "I think I've finally convinced myself that I can still play this game."

McNeil outlasted Florencia Labat of Argentina, 7-6 (7-4), 7-6 (7-4) to make the quarterfinals for the first time since 1986.

The ninth-seeded Davenport, playing only her second Wimbledon, routed No. 10 Gabriela Sabatini, 6-1, 6-3, and Fernandez, in her 10th try here, beat Yayuk Basuki of Indonesia, 6-4, 6-1.



ONE FOR THE OLD GUARD – Martina Navratilova celebrates her victory over Helena Sukova at Wimbledon yesterday. (AP)

Third-seeded Conchita Martinez beat Kristine Radford of Australia, 3-6, 6-3, 6-4, and fifth-seeded Jana Novota, tearful loser to Graf in last year's final, defeated Naoko Sawamatsu of Japan, 6-3, 6-3.

In today's quarterfinals, Novotna plays Navratilova, Martinez plays Davenport and Fernandez plays Garrison Jackson.

Larisa Neiland, playing in her 11th Wimbledon, joined Davenport and Fernandez as a first-time quarterfinalist. The 27-year-old Latvian rallied past Amanda Coetzer of South Africa, 1-6, 6-3, 6-4 and plays McNeil today.

McNeil lost her first three service games in the 62-minute first set against Labat and was on the verge of being broken a fourth time to fall behind 2-5, but rallied from 0-40 to save the game.

Noise is on for ATP fans

THE ATP men's tennis tour has confirmed the adoption of several rule changes designed to speed up play and encourage more crowd involvement.

The changes will be phased in over the summer in an effort to help bolster a game struggling to maintain its popularity.

The changes include:

- reducing the amount of time between points from 25 seconds to 20 seconds,
- allowing spectators to spontaneously react during a point as long as it is not intended to distract players,
- allowing spectators seated above the lowest tier of seats surrounding the court to move freely in and out of the stadium during play, and
- allowing broadcasters to place microphones on the umpire's side of the court so that conversations between players and officials may be heard.

The changes involving fans and television will be implemented at ATP events on July 18. The 20-second rule will take effect September 12. Grand Slam tournaments are exempted. (AP)

Romania brings USA down to earth

Swiss lose to Colombia but earn berth in second round

PASADENA (Reuter) – Romania scored an important but uninspiring 1-0 win over the United States at the Rose Bowl on Sunday to ensure their place in the second round of the World Cup finals.

Playing disciplined, defensive soccer, they won with a 17th minute goal scored by defender Dan Petrescu that snaked into a narrow gap between Tony Meola and his near post.

The defeat deflated a capacity, sun-drenched crowd and was never in much doubt against an American team that struggled to find a way through the Romanians tightly knit defense.

On the few occasions they did threaten, Daniel Prodan and Miodrag Belodedici nipped the Americans' attack in the bud.

Petrescu's goal came after Florin Raducioiu split the American defense with a finely weighted ball that Petrescu fired diagonally past Meola into the far corner of the net.

The nearest the hosts came to scoring was when John Harkes hit the post from 18 meters out after eight minutes.

The match began with the temperature at 38°, but a pitch-side thermometer showed the temperature at the playing level in the vast stadium at around 49°.

It was no surprise, therefore, that both teams began cautiously in the heat.

The Americans, perhaps more used to the conditions, appeared to settle first and went close twice in the opening spell when John Harkes hit goalkeeper Florin Prunea's right-hand post and Eric Wynalda headed just wide a minute later.

Harkes, who recovered from a flu virus in time to play, then blotted his copybook by being booked four minutes before half-time. It was his second first-round booking and means he misses the USA's next match, if the team qualifies as one of the four wild cards.

Raducioiu, who like Harkes was booked in an earlier match, also had his name taken for the second time in the opening round and will also miss his country's next game. Both players also face fines of SFr2,000 (NIS 4,500).

There were few incidents of note in a first half that was dominated by the Romanians, determined to bounce back from their 4-1 defeat by Switzerland on Wednesday.

They slowed the game to almost walking-pace and continually played the ball back to Prunea.

When the Americans did come forward, the yellow-shirted eastern Europeans had six, seven or eight men behind the ball. Petrescu, Daniel Prodan and Miodrag Belodedici outmaneuvered and thwarted Wynalda and Ernie Stewart in a blunt-looking home attack.

The second half followed much the same pattern. The one moment of great skill inevitably came from Romania's skipper Gheorghe Hagi, who dribbled through the American midfield after 55 minutes before finding Ilie Dumitrescu.

He spun past the defense, but shot wide with only Meola to beat, although he was relieved to see the linesman's flag up for offside.

American coach Bora Milutinovich replaced the tiring Tab Ramos and Mike Sorber with Cobi Jones and Roy Wegerle and the Americans rallied with three late chances.

Thomas Dooley headed into the side netting from a corner; Wynalda went close with a 30-meter free kick and Paul Caligiuri, who had a poor game at the back, almost made amends with a close volley.



IT ONLY TAKES ONE – Romanian Dan Petrescu scores the winning goal against USA goalkeeper Tony Meola in the first half at the Rose Bowl on Sunday. (Reuter)

Switzerland 2, Colombia 0

Switzerland lost but still qualified for the second round as runners-up in Group A.

Midfielder Herman Gaviria scored with a close-range header just before the end of a first half, which the Colombians dominated with their immense skill and delightful approach work.

Substitute Harold Lozano sealed victory with a second goal in the final minute at Palo Alto, California.

But the victory was not enough to stave off elimination for the Colombians after two shock defeats in their earlier matches.

The Swiss went through to the next round for the first time for 40 years thanks to a draw and a victory in their first two matches.

Colombia had needed the USA to beat Romania in a match played simultaneously, but the Americans failed to repeat the heroics of their earlier matches.

Gaviria nodded home a free kick by Colombian captain Carlos Valderrama to round off the team's most sustained display of open, attacking soccer since the start of the tournament in which Pele had seen them as potential champions.

Inspired by Valderrama in midfield and Faustino Asprilla in attack, they created a string of chances.

But they were denied by several superb saves by Swiss goalkeeper Marco Pascolo, whose only fault was to fail to hold onto Gaviria's header for the goal.

The Swiss fans whistled their disappointment when Colombia scored their opening goal because they felt Valderrama had elbowed Swiss midfielder Ciriaco Sforza, who was left lying on the ground after an apparent clash.

Valderrama was booed for the rest of the match.

Pascolo could do little about the second goal. Lozano, a second half substitute, slid the ball into the far corner of the goal from a narrow angle after a dazzling run into the penalty area.

Pascolo's performance prevented further goals and the Colombians let themselves down by trying to dribble on many occasions when they might have shot.

Pascolo parried away a drive by Fredy Rincon in the 11th minute and then tipped over the bar a well struck left-foot chip by Luis Herrera.

Rincon netted in the 20th minute, but the goal was disallowed for a foul by Asprilla as he jumped to head the ball into his striking partner's path.

Pascolo also dived bravely at the feet of the Colombian forwards to make fine saves from Valderrama and Rincon early on and held on to a number of well-struck shots late in the game.

First Round

Group A	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Romania	2	0	1	5	5	6
Switzerland	1	1	1	5	4	4
United States	1	1	1	3	3	4
Colombia	1	0	2	4	5	3

Group B	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Brazil	2	0	0	5	0	6
Sweden	1	1	0	5	3	4
Cameroon	0	1	1	2	5	1
Russia	0	0	2	1	5	0

Group C	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Germany	1	1	0	2	1	4
Spain	0	2	0	3	3	2
South Korea	0	2	0	2	2	2
Bolivia	0	1	1	0	1	1

Group D	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Argentina	2	0	0	6	1	6
Nigeria	1	0	1	4	2	3
Bulgaria	1	0	1	4	3	3
Greece	0	0	2	0	8	0

Group E	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Ireland	1	0	1	2	2	3
Mexico	1	0	1	2	2	3
Italy	1	0	1	1	1	3
Norway	1	0	1	1	1	3

Group F	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Belgium	2	0	0	2	0	6
Saudi Arabia	1	0	1	3	3	3
Netherlands	1	0	1	2	2	3
Morocco	0	0	2	2	3	0

World Cup at a Glance
(all times Israel)

Sunday's results:
A – Romania 1, USA 0 (Pasadena)
A – Colombia 2, Switzerland 0 (Stanford)
Last night's scheduled game:
C – Bolivia-Spain (Chicago)
C – Germany-South Korea (Dallas)
Tonight:
E – Ireland-Norway 19:35 (East Rutherford)
E – Italy-Mexico 19:35 (Washington DC)
B – Russia-Cameroon 23:05 (Stanford)
B – Brazil-Sweden 23:05 (Pontiac)

Glenn Robinson considers boycott of NBA draft

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) – There's little doubt where Glenn Robinson is headed in the National Basketball Association draft. Whether he'll show up at the Hoosier Dome is far less certain.

Robinson's agent, Charles Tucker, told the *Indianapolis Star* that the former Purdue star, expected to be selected first overall by the Milwaukee Bucks, is considering boycotting tomorrow's draft to protest the legality of the draft and a possible rookie salary cap.

"I'm in the process of figuring out what I'm going to do and I'll figure that out by Monday," Tucker said. "Right now, Glenn Robinson is not in the draft."

Tucker said the draft is illegal because a six-year collective bargaining agreement between the players and the league expired Thursday. The NBA has filed a lawsuit to extend the previous agreement until a new one can be reached, but Tucker said rookies are not covered by the old deal.

"The draft is illegal right now because they don't have an agreement," he said. "Officially [Robinson] can go anywhere he wants to go until they come up with a collective bargaining agreement. Anything can happen."

Tucker said Jason Kidd of California and Grant Hill of Duke also were considering participating in a boycott, but Hill has said he's excited about the draft.

"It's a dream of mine, and I'm all about going through the draft and participating in the draft and putting that hat on, hopefully," Hill said. "That's what I'm thinking about. I'm not thinking about boycott or strike or anything like that."

Bucks spokesman Bill King said the issues would have to be settled through collective bargaining between the NBA and the Players Association and that a boycott would not affect the team's selection.

"The draft will still be held on Wednesday regardless of whether players are in attendance or not, and the Milwaukee Bucks still hold the No. 1 pick in the draft," King said.

Charles Grantham, the Players Association's executive director, favors abolishing the draft. The union has sued to abolish it twice before, but a settlement was reached each time.

Grantham said the union's biggest concern is a rookie salary cap.

"It's unfair," Grantham said. "[NBA commissioner] David Stern didn't have any salary cap put on his money. He got a big bonus. So why should players have a salary cap put on them, especially rookies?"

Yankees survive Indians' onslaught

CLEVELAND (AP) – Jim Leyritz and Mike Stanley homered and Jim Abbott won for the first time in a month Sunday as the New York Yankees blew most of an eight-run lead before beating Cleveland.

The Yankees won their fifth straight overall and their eighth in a row against Cleveland dating to last season. It was the Indians' second consecutive loss at Jacobs Field following an 18-game home winning streak.

Cleveland trailed 12-4 before scoring seven runs in the eighth inning, including a two-run homer by Manny Ramirez and a three-run shot by Albert Belle.

Twins 11, Royals 4

Kirby Puckett became Minnesota's career hits leader and drove in three runs, leading the Twins over visiting Kansas City.

Puckett had three hits, giving him 2,088 in 11 seasons with the Twins. He moved past Rod Carew, who had 2,085 hits in 12 seasons with Minnesota.

Orioles 7, Blue Jays 1

Mike Mussina pitched a five-hitter for his 11th win and Brady Anderson homered twice as the visiting Orioles handed the Blue Jays their eighth straight loss.

SUNDAY'S NL RESULTS
Florida 6, Montreal 1
Philadelphia 9, Atlanta 8
Pittsburgh 7, New York 3
St. Louis 3, Chicago 1
Los Angeles 5, Houston 4
San Francisco 8, Colorado 1
Cincinnati 12, San Diego 4

SUNDAY'S AL RESULTS
New York 12, Cleveland 11
Milwaukee 5, Boston 4
Minnesota 11, Kansas City 4
California 4, Texas 3
Oakland 10, Detroit 5
Chicago 8, Seattle 7
Baltimore 7, Toronto 1

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	46	26	.639	–
Montreal	44	29	.603	2½
Philadelphia	37	37	.500	10
Florida	35	39	.473	12
New York	33	41	.446	14

Central Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cincinnati	43	30	.589	–
Houston	40	34	.541	3½
Pittsburgh	36	36	.500	6½
St. Louis	36	36	.500	6½
Chicago	30	41	.423	12

West Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Los Angeles	38	36	.514	–
Colorado	34	40	.459	4
San Francisco	32	43	.427	6½
San Diego	29	45	.392	9

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	44	27	.620	–
Baltimore	41	31	.569	3½
Boston	37	35	.514	7½
Detroit	35	37	.486	9½
Toronto	31	41	.431	13½

Central Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cleveland	42	28	.600	–
Chicago	41	31	.569	2
Minnesota	39	33	.542	4
Kansas City	38	35	.521	5½
Milwaukee	34	39	.466	9½

West Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Texas	33	40	.452	–
California	33	43	.434	1½
Seattle	31	43	.419	2½
Oakland	29	45	.392	4½

SPORTS BRIEFS

Magic becomes part owner of Lakers

Earvin "Magic" Johnson, the former star of the Los Angeles Lakers yesterday became a part owner of the team, the club announced. "Being an owner in professional sports has always been my ultimate goal, so this is like a dream come true," Johnson said.

Just how much of the franchise Johnson bought was not disclosed, but the *Los Angeles Times* reported prior to yesterday's official announcement that it was probably less than 10 percent.

Frost holds on to beat Norman

David Frost almost surrendered a late four-shot lead before hanging on for a one-shot victory over Greg Norman at the $1.2 million Greater Hartford Open golf tournament on Sunday.

Frost led by four strokes with just two holes to play on the River Highlands TPC course, but he uncharacteristically made a "bad swing" to push hit tee shot into the lake next to the 17th fairway for a bogey. When Norman, playing ahead, birdied the final two holes, Frost's cushion was only one stroke, but he made a regulation par at the final hole to finish with a course-record low score of 12-under-par 268 after a closing 69 in breezy conditions.

Local cricket scores

Ramla 89/10 (Noah Talkar 6/21) beat Yerucham 87/10 (Israel Bamnolkar 32, Rafi Samson 4/17, Ruel Samson 3/19) in local cricket action over the weekend. In the other match, Beersheba 192/10 (Yona Malekar 66, Benny Gudker, 44 n.o.) defeated Dimona C 172/10 (Shimshon Abraham 81, Naor Gudker 5/55).

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Warwickshire overcomes rare Lara failure

LONDON (Reuter) – Warwickshire overcame a rare Brian Lara failure to register their fourth County Championship success of the season when they snatched a four-wicket win over Northamptonshire yesterday.

They reached the target of 228 in 38 overs set by Northamptonshire, with three balls to spare.

Lara, not allowed to bat until five wickets had fallen after spending the equivalent of two days off the field, went to the crease with 20 runs required. But the West Indian, famed for his record-breaking batting exploits, was caught by Allan Lamb off left-arm spinner Nick Cook for just two.

In a nail-biting last over, captain Dermot Reeve, batting with a runner because of a groin strain, hit the boundary that gave Warwickshire victory.

In another nerve-wracking finish, England wicketkeeper Steve Rhodes defied the Sussex bowlers for 140 minutes to steer Worcestershire to their first championship win of the season.

His unbeaten 37 in 35 overs helped Worcester from 170 for five to their target of 236 with one wicket standing.

Nottinghamshire, chasing only 167, were made to fight for every run as Essex came close to a surprise win at Ilford.

It left Notts in second place in the championship table, five points behind leaders Surrey who have 127.

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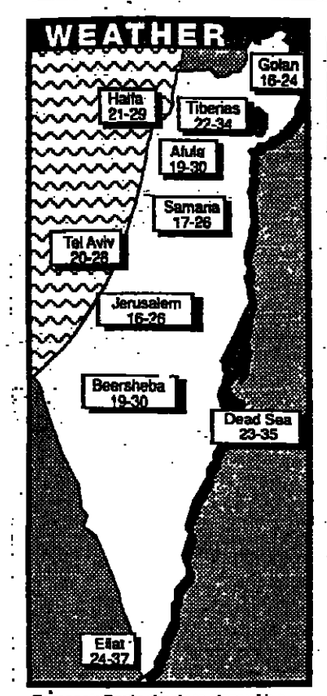
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Buenos Aires	05	41	14	57	clear
Cairo	21	70	36	97	clear
Chicago	16	61	25	79	rain
Copenhagen	14	57	23	73	clear
Frankfurt	22	72	32	90	clear
Geneva	16	60	25	77	rain
Helsinki	10	51	16	61	cloudy
Hong Kong	26	82	32	90	clear
Jo'burg	03	37	21	70	clear
Lisbon	21	70	32	90	clear
London	14	57	24	75	clear
Los Angeles	25	73	38	101	clear
Madrid	16	61	32	90	clear
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* Mobile Intensive Care Unit (MICU) service in the area, around the clock.

Medical help for tourists (in English) 177-022-9110

Eran - Emotional First Aid. Jerusalem 610303, Tel Aviv 5461111 (children/youth 6961113), Haifa 672222, Beersheba 281128, Netanya 625110, Karmiel 9888410, Kfar Sava 974555, Hadera 346789.

Rape Crisis Center (24 hours), Tel Aviv 5234819, 5449191 (men), Jerusalem 514455, Haifa 860111, Eilat 31977.

The National Poison Control Center at Rambam Hospital 04-325747, for emergency calls 24 hours a day, for information in case of poisoning.

Emergency dental clinic (24 hours) 02-832903.

FIRE 102

FLIGHTS

24 Hours Flight Information Service: Arrivals only, 03-9731111 (Hebrew), 03-9731122 (English).

CRITIC'S CHOICE

THEATER

HELEN KAYE

ACTOR Yossi Graber gives the performance of his life as Shylock in the Cameri Theater production of *The Merchant of Venice*, flamboyantly directed by Omri Nitzan. Graber's Shylock is a man the meaning of whose existence disintegrates when his daughter Jessica is seduced from Jewry to the Christian world. Graber's performance is meticulous, nuanced and heartbreaking. Tonight on the main stage at 8:30. (Hebrew wth simultaneous translation into English)

CLASSICAL MUSIC

MICHAEL AJZENSTADT

LAST week Austrian cellist Heinrich Schiff gave a stunning performance of the Saint-Saens cello concerto with the Jerusalem Symphony Orchestra. This week Schiff adds conducting to his musical activities in Jerusalem as he leads the JSO in Beethoven's Fifth Symphony and the overture to Mozart's *Don Giovanni*. In between Schiff plays the C major cello concerto by Haydn. Tonight through Thursday (8) at the Henry Crown Symphony Hall in Jerusalem.

OPERA

MICHAEL AJZENSTADT

THE greatest lover of all times, the one and only Don Giovanni, comes to try his luck with local ladies tomorrow for a one-night stand at the Rebecca Crown Auditorium in Jerusalem (8:30), in a production of the Rubin Music Academy in Jerusalem. This fully staged production features members of the Academy's opera workshop and the Academy orchestra under the baton of Aharon Harlap. The director is Ya'acov Kaufman.

FILMS

ADINA HOFFMAN

★★★ **GUARDING TESS** – Shirley MacLaine and Nicholas Cage star in this slight, sometimes-humorous study of the relationship between a willful former first lady, now widowed and retired in a quiet Ohio town, and one no-less-willful Secret Service agent who rues the day he was assigned to her breakfast-tray detail.

Cage's droopy, boyish demeanor and the laugh crinkles (does she paint them on?) that surround MacLaine's eyes alert us early on to the homey goodwill that's doubtless in store for this ersatz mother and son. Occasionally amusing, but very skippable. (English dialogue, Hebrew subtitles. Parental guidance suggested)

★★★ **GRUMPY OLD MEN** – As long-feuding neighbors in a small Minnesota town, Walter Matthau and Jack Lemmon are wonderfully crabby and familiar. The actors' long history together (five films so far) converts easily in our minds to the characters' own, and we believe without any strain that these two have lived and complained on the same street for the last half century. The dynamic between the two men functions like a tried-and-true toboggan run, and the script slides along predictably enough, relying for almost all its thrills on the actors' navigation. (English dialogue, Hebrew subtitles. Parental guidance suggested)

★★★★ **I'LL DO ANYTHING** – A genuine Hollywood curio, James L. Brooks's movie-about-the-movie-business started life as a musical comedy with choreography by Twyla Tharp and music by Prince and Sinead O'Connor. The music and dancing were dropped after unfavorable test screenings, but the entity that remains is surprisingly enjoyable.

Even minus the puddle-hopping, show-stopping consummation that Gene Kelly fans may instinctively expect, the film retains the wry sunshine of the best old movie musicals. With Nick Nolte, Albert Brooks and Julie Kavner, who takes turns stealing the show with six-year-old Whittni Wright. (English dialogue, Hebrew subtitles. Parental guidance suggested.)



Free-spirited widow Ariel Traux (Ann-Margaret) is befriended by neighbor Max Goldman (Walter Matthau) in 'Grumpy Old Men,' also starring Jack Lemmon. (Ron Phillips)

CINEMA

JERUSALEM
CINEMATHEQUE Derech Hevron ☎ 724131 **Fanny and Alexander** 7 ★ **Farewell My Concubine** 9:30 G.G. GIL **Jerusalem Mall (Malha)**☎ 788448 **Beethoven 2** 1:30, 5, 7:30, 9:30 ★ **Getaway** 1:30, 4:30, 7:30, 10 ★ **The Paper** 1:30, 5, 7:45, 10 ★ **Kalifornia** 1:30, 5, 7:30, 10 ★ **Schindler's List** 1:30, 5, 8:30 ★ **Naked Gun 33⅓** 1:30, 5, 7:30, 9:30 ★ **In the Name of the Father** 1:30, 4:30, 7:15, 9:45 JERUSALEM THEATER ☎ 617167 20 Marcus St. **Blanc** 7, 9:30 ORION OR 1-6 ☎ 252914 4 Shamai St. **Pelican Brief** □ **Little Buddha** 5, 7, 9:15 ★ **The Woman Who Made Sesame Oil** □ **Orlando** □ **Lightning Jack** 5, 7:15, 9:30 RAV CHEN 1-7 ☎ 792799 **Credit Card Reservations** ☎ 794477 Rav-Mecher Building, 19 Ha'oman St., Talpiot **Blink** 7:30, 9:45 ★ **City Slickers** □ **The Chase** 5, 7:30, 9:45 ★ **Guarding Tess** 5, 7:30, 9:45 ★ **Shadowlands** 4:30, 7:15, 9:45 ★ **Kika** 4:45, 7:15, 9:45 ★ **Malice** 5, 7:30, 9:45 RON 1-2 ☎ 234704 1 Rabbi Akiva St. **I'll Do Anything** □ **Philadelphia** 5, 7:15, 9:30

TEL AVIV
RAV-CHEN☎ 5282288* Dizengoff Center **My Father the King** 11, 2:30, 5, 7:30, 9:45 ★ **Blink** 11, 2:30, 5, 7:30, 9:45 ★ **Angie** 5, 7:15, 9:45 ★ **The Chase** 5, 7:30, 9:45 ★ **The Lion King** *(Hebrew dialogue)* 5 ★ **The Lion King** *(English dialogue)* 7:30, 9:45 CINEMATHEQUE ☎ 6917181 **Steamboat Bill Jr.** 7 + The Blacksmith ★ **Sound of the Mountain** 9:30 DEKEL ☎ 5443200 94 Yehuda Hamaccabi St. **Philadelphia**9:45 DIZENGOFF 1-3 ☎ 200485 Dizengoff Center **Getaway** □ **Baraka** 11, 1, 3, 5:15, 7:30, 9:45 ★ **Blanc** 11, 3, 5:15, 7:30, 9:45 ★ **Belle Epoque** 1 DRIVE IN **Pelican Brief** 10 ★ **Sex Film** 12 midnight GAN HA'IR 71 Ibn Gabirol St. **Mrs. Doubtfire** 2:15, 4:30, 7:15, 9:45 ★ **Little Buddha** 2:30, 4:45, 7:30, 10 GAT ☎ 6967888* 26 Ibn Gabirol St. **City Slickers** 5, 7:30, 9:45 GORDON ☎ 5236992 87 Ben Yehuda St. **The Unbelievable Truth** 6:30, 10 ★ **Trust** 8 HAKOLNOA ZOA HOUSE ☎ 6959341 26 Ibn Gabirol St. **The Blue Kite** 4:30, 7:15, 9:45 G.G. HOD 1-4 ☎ 5228090 Hod Passage, 101 Dizengoff St. **Grumpy Old Men** 5, 7:30, 10 ★ **Fearless** 4:45, 7:30, 10 ★ **The Paper** 5, 7:30, 10 LEV 1-4 ☎ 5288288 **Kalifornia** 12:15, 2:15, 5, 7:30, 10 ★ **Kika** 12, 2, 4:45, 7:30, 9:45 ★ **Farewell to my Concubine** 2, 7:15 ★ **Naked** 12, 2:15, 5, 10 MAXIM **The Age of Innocence** 7:15, 9:30 RAV-OR 1-5 ☎ 5102674* Opera House **Short Cuts** 5:30, 9 ★ **Age of Innocence** □ **Remains of the Day** □ **Shadowlands** 4:30, 7:15, 9:45 ★ **Guarding Tess** 5, 7:30, 9:45 G.G. SHAHAF 1-2 ☎ 5271645 Kikar Namir **Schindler's List** 5, 8:45 ★ **Benny and Joon** 5, 7:30, 10 G.G. TAYELET 1-3 ☎ 5177652 2 Yona Hanavi St., **Pelican Brief** □ **Max and Morris** □ **In the Name of the Father** 5, 7:30, 10 G.G. TEL AVIV ☎ 5281181 65 Pinsker St. **Naked Gun 33⅓** 5:30, 8, 10 ★ **In the Name of the Father** 5, 7:30, 10 ★ **Beethoven 2** 5, 7:45, 9:45 TEL AVIV MUSEUM ☎ 6961297 27 Shaul Hamelekh Boulevard **The Woman Who Made Sesame Oil** 5, 7:45, 10 ZAFON☎ 5443966 18 Louis Marshall St. **Getaway** 5, 7:30, 9:45

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HAIFA
ATZMON **Getaway** 4:30, 7, 9:30 ★ **In the Name of the Father** 4:15, 6:45, 9:15 ★ **Fearless** □ **The Paper** □ **Naked Gun 33⅓** 4:30, 7, 9:15 CINEMATHEQUE ☎ 386246/383424 **Basic Instinct** 7 ★ **In the Line of Fire** 9:30 CINEMA CAFE AMAMI ☎ 325755 **Blanc** 7:15, 9:15 ★ **Naked** 7, 9:15 CINEMA CAFE MORIAH ☎ 242477 **Kalifornia** 7:30, 9:30 ORLY **Remains of the Day** 6:45, 9:15 PANORAMA **Beethoven 2** 4:30, 7, 9:30 ★ **Schindler's List** 5, 8:30 ★ **Baraka** 4:30, 7, 9:30 RAV-GAT 1-2 ☎ 674311 **City Slickers** □ **The Chase** 4:45, 7, 9:15 RAV-MOR 1-7 ☎ 416899/8 **Blink** □ □ **My Father the Hero** □ **The Chase** □ **City Slickers** □ **Malice** 4:45, 7, 9:15 ★ **Guarding Tess** 4:45, 7, 9:15 RAV-OR 1-3 ☎ 246553 **Angie** □ **Blink** 4:30, 7, 9:15 ★ **Kika** 7, 9:15 ★ **Aristocats** *(Hebrew dialogue)* 4:45

ASHDOD
G.G. GIL **Getaway** 5, 7:30, 10 ★ **Beethoven 2** 5, 7:30, 9:30 ★ **Shadowlands** □ **I'll Do Anything** 5, 7:30, 10

ASHKELON
RAV CHEN 1-5 ☎ 711223 **City Slickers** □ **The Chase** □ **Getaway** 5, 7:30, 9:45 ★ **Age of Innocence** 4:30, 7:15, 9:45 ★ **Philadelphia** 4:45, 7:15, 9:45

BAT YAM
RAV CHEN ☎ 5531077 **City Slickers** □ **My Father the Hero** □ **Blink** □ **Getaway** □ **The Chase** 5, 7:30, 9:45 ★ **Naked Gun 33⅓** □ **The Chase** 5, 7:30, 9:45 ★ **Schindler's List** 5:30, 9

BEERSHEBA
G.G. ESHEL ☎ 274073 **Beethoven 2** 5, 7:45, 9:45 RAV-NEGEV 1-4 ☎ 236278 **Getaway** □ **The Chase** 5, 7:30, 9:45 ★ **Blink** 4:30, 7:15, 9:45

DIMONA
MOFET **Naked Gun 33⅓** 8:30

HADERA
LEV 1-4 ☎ 343555 **Kalifornia** 5, 7:30 10 ★ **Philadelphia** 5, 7:30 10 ★ **Beethoven** 5, 7:30, 9:45 ★ **My Father the Hero** 5, 7:30, 9:45

HERZLIYA
COLONY CINEMA 1-2 (MANDARIN) ☎ 6902666 **Shadowlands** □ **In the Name of the Father** 7:30, 10 DANIEL HOTEL ☎ 544044 **THE AUDITORIUM The Woman Who Made Sesame Oil** 7:15, 9:30 STAR ☎ 589088 29 Sokolow St. **Getaway** 7:30, 9:45 ★ **Beethoven 2** 7:30, 9:45 ★ **In the Name of the Father** 7:15, 9:45

KARMIEL
CINEMA 1-3 ☎ 887277 **Guarding Tess** □ **Naked Gun 33⅓** 7, 9:30 ★ **Schindler's List** 5:30, 9

KFAR SAVA
G.G. GIL **Naked Gun 33⅓** 5:30, 8, 10 ★ **In the Name of the Father** 4:45, 7:15, 10 ★ **Getaway** 5, 7:30, 10 ★ **Kalifornia** 5, 7:30, 10 ★ **Beethoven 2** 5, 7:45, 9:45 ★ **City Slickers** 5, 7:30, 10

KIRYAT BIALIK
G.G. KIRYON 1-9 ☎ 779166 **The Secret Garden** 4:45 ★ **The Beverly Hillbillies** 4:45, 7, 9:30 ★ **Grumpy Old Men** □ **My Father the Hero** 4:45, 7, 9:30 ★ **In the Name of the Father** 7, 9:30 ★ **Naked Gun 33⅓** □ **Beethoven 2** 4:45, 7, 9:30

KIRYAT MALACHI
HAKIRYA **Grumpy Old Men** 5, 7:30, 9:30 HECHAL HATARBUT ☎ 580528 1 Ben Gurion Boulevard **My Father the Hero** 6:30, 9:45

MIGDAL HA'EMEK
RAV CHEN **Excessive Force** □ **Angie** 7, 9:30 ★ **Schindler's List** 5:30, 9

NAHARIYA
HOD ☎ 920502 **Shadowlands** 7, 9:30

NESS ZIONA
G.G. GIL 1-4 ☎ 404729 **Beethoven 2** 5, 7:45, 10 ★ **Getaway** 5, 7:30, 10 ★ **Naked Gun 33⅓** 5:30, 7:30, 10 ★ **In the Name of the Father** 5, 7:30, 10

NETANYA
G.G. GIL 1-5 ☎ 628452 **Getaway** 5, 7:30, 10 ★ **In the Name of the Father** 5, 7:30, 10 ★ **Baraka** 5, 7:30, 10 ★ **Beethoven 2** 5, 7:45, 10 RAV-CHEN 1-4 ☎ 618570 **The Chase** 5, 7:30, 9:45 ★ **City Slickers** □ **Blink** 5, 7:30, 9:45 ★ **Short Cuts** 5:30, 9

OR YEHUDA
G.G. GIL **My Father the Hero** □ **Grumpy Old Men** □ **The Paper** 5, 7:30, 9:45 ★ **Beethoven 2** 5, 7:45, 9:45

PETAH TIKVA
G.G. HECHAL 1-3 ☎ 9300844 **Getaway** 5, 7:30 10 ★ **Beethoven 2** 5, 7:30, 9:30 G. G. RAM 1-3 ☎ 9340818 **Grumpy Old Men** □ **Kika** 5, 7:30, 10 ★ **Schindler's List** 5, 8:30

RA'ANANA
PARK **Philadelphia** □ **Getaway** 7:30, 9:45 ★ **Guarding Tess** 7:30, 9:30 ★ **City Slickers** 7:30, 9:45 ★ **Beethoven 2** 7:30, 9:30

RAMAT GAN
RAV-GAN 1-4 ☎ 797121* * **Credit card phone reservations 03-5252244 City Slickers** □ **The Chase** 5, 7:30, 9:45 ★ **Angie** 5, 7:30, 9:45 ★ **In the Name of the Father** 4:30, 7:15, 9:45 RAV-OASIS 1-3 ☎ 6730687 **Blink** □ **Getaway** 5, 7:30, 9:45 ★ **Excessive Force** 5, 7:15, 9:45

RAMAT HASHARON
KOKHAV **Remains of the Day** 7:15, 9:30

REHOVOT
CHEN 1-4 ☎ 465979 **Shadowlands** 7 ★ **Short Cuts** 9:30 ★ **Getaway** 11, 5, 7:15, 9:45 ★ **Beethoven 2** 11, 5:15, 7:30, 9:45 ★ **Kika** 7:30, 9:45

RISHON LEZION
NA'AMAN ☎ 941522 **Grumpy Old Men** 7:30 9:45 RAV-CHEN 1-4 ☎ 9670503/7 **City Slickers** □ **The Chase** □ **Blink** 5, 7:30, 9:45 ★ **Excessive Force** 5, 7:30, 9:45 RISHON ☎ 9653230 **The Paper** 7:30, 9:45 G.G. RON 1-3 ☎ 9662175 **Naked Gun 33⅓** □ **Blink** 5, 7:30, 9:30 HAZAHAV **In the Name of the Father** 4:45, 7:30, 10 ★ **Kalifornia** 5, 7:30, 10

RISHON NEW IND. AREA
GAL 1-5 ☎ 9619669 **Naked Gun 33⅓** 5:30, 8, 10 ★ **Schindler's List** 8:30 ★ **Getaway** 4:45, 7:30, 10 ★ **Beethoven 2** 5, 7:45, 10 ★ **Baraka** 4:45, 7:30, 10 STAR 1-4 ☎ 9619985-7 27 Lishinsky St. **The Beverly Hillbillies** 7:30, 10 ★ **Philadelphia** 7:15, 10 ★ **Guarding Tess** 8, 10 ★ **I'll Do Anything** 7:30, 10

UPPER NAZARETH
G.G GIL ☎ 06-561332 **Grumpy Old Men** □ **Angie** □ **Getaway** □ **The Paper** □ **My Father the Hero** □ **Philadelphia** 5, 7:30, 10 ★ **Beethoven 2** 5, 7:30, 9:30 ★ **Blink** 5, 7:30, 9:45



TELEVISION

■ CHANNEL 1

6.30 News in Arabic **6.45** Cartoons **7.00** Good Morning Israel

■ EDUCATIONAL TV

8.00 Program Details **8.05** Keep Fit **8.15** Literature **8.40** Arithmetic **8.55** Literature **9.20** English: Candy Can Do It **9.40** Children's stories **10.00** Arabic stories **10.15** Family Relations **10.45** Hey Dad **11.10** Mathematical Eye **11.30** Eretz Yisrael Geography **11.50** Science **12.10** Talmud **12.30** Life Sciences **13.00** French: Bienvenue en France **13.15** Literature **14.00** Fairy Tales **14.30** Secret Valley – adventure series **15.00** News program for children

■ CHANNEL 1

15.30 World Cup Soccer – wrap-up of yesterday's matches **16.00** News update **16.05** Tom and Jerry **16.30** Kids' Court **17.00** A New Evening **17.30** Northwood **17.55** Heathcliff (cartoon) **18.15** News in English

ARABIC PROGRAMS
18.30 Documentary film **19.00** News in Arabic

HEBREW PROGRAMS
19.30 World Cup Soccer – match between Italy and Mexico **20.15** News (during break) **20.20** Continuation of match **21.25** Live broadcast of Lotto results **21.30** Mabat **22.00** Not Just Soccer – entertainment program hosted by Yair Lapid **22.55** Late-night news**23.00** World Cup Soccer – matches between Russia and Cameroon, Brazil and Sweden **00.55** World Cup Soccer – wrap-up of today's matches

■ THE NEW CHANNEL 2

14.05 Spending – Consumerism magazine for youth **14.30** African Skies – adventure series **15.00** Casper and the Angles – adventures of Casper the friendly ghost **15.25** Daffy Duck **15.35** Mike and Angelo **16.00** The Bold and the Beautiful **17.00** News **17.05** This Is It (rpt) **18.00** Alf (comedy) **18.30** Paradise Beach **19.00** Groupies – music program where the home audience can call in and talk to performers in the studio. Video clips are shown. **19.30** Who's the Boss **20.00** News **20.30** Wheel of Fortune – Hebrew version **21.00** With Dan Margalit **22.10** NYPD – drama series about the New York police force **23.15** Night Magazine – with Dan Margalit **23.30** News **23.35** A Small Place **00.00** Gillette Sports Special

■ JORDAN TV (unofficial)

17.00 French programs **18.30** News in French **19.00** News in Hebrew **19.15** Gillette World Cup **20.00** News in Arabic **20.30** Step By Step **21.10** Moon Over Miami **22.00** News in English **22.20** Feature Film

■ MIDDLE EAST TV

14.00 700 Club **14.55** Film: Brighty of the Grand Canyon – Freedom loving burro's adventures lead him into perilous encounters with lions, a raging river and murder. Starring Joseph Cotton, Pat Conway **16.30** Mighty Mouse **17.20** Dangermouse **17.45** Superbook **18.10** Musical Artist Documentary **19.10** Rescue 911 **20.00** World News Tonight (Arabic) **20.30** CNN Headline News **21.00** America's Funniest Home Videos **21.30** Star Trek: The Next Generation **22.20** Moon Over Miami **23.10** 700 Club **00.00** Film: Brighty of the Grand Canyon (rpt)

CABLE

■ FAMILY CHANNEL (3)

8.00 Local broadcast **9.00** One Life to Live **9.45** The Young and the Restless **10.30** Guests in the Living Room **11.00** I Love Lucy **11.30** Antonella **12.15** Murphy Brown **12.45** Falcon Crest **13.35** Coach **14.00** Israeli Clips **14.10** Dangerous Women **15.00** Topaz **15.50** Knots Landing **16.40** Three's Company **17.05** Love Boat **17.50** Israeli Clips **18.00** One Life to Live **18.50** The Young and the Restless **19.30** Local broadcast **20.00** Antonella **20.50** Falcon Crest **21.40** Cheers **22.10** Seinfeld **22.35** Frasier **23.00** The Trials of Rosie O'Neill **23.50** New WKRP in Cincinnati **00.15** Quantum Leap **1.05** Kojak

■ MOVIE CHANNEL (4)

10.30 Bombshell (1933) – (rpt) **12.25** Miracle on Ice (1981) – Steve Guttenberg and Karl Malden star in this ice hockey drama based on the true story of the US team at the 1980 Olympics **14.45** Camps D'Honneur (rpt) **16.15** Mistress of Paradise (1981) – gothic drama **17.50** The River Rat (1984) – (rpt) **19.25** Maid for Each Other (1991) – (rpt) **21.00** Quiet Cool (1986) – action movie about a New York cop who goes after a gang of dangerous drug dealers and growers in the Pacific Northwest **22.20** Bikini Island (1991) – silly suspense action about five supermodels dying mysteriously on a Caribbean island **23.45** Kafka (1992) – (rpt) **1.20** Cat People (1982) – (rpt)

■ CHILDREN'S CHANNEL (6)

6.30 Cartoons **9.30** Cartoons **10.05** Ninja Turtles **10.30** Three Little Ghosts **11.05** Silver Hawks **11.30** Family Ties **12.00** New Land of the Lost Adventure **12.30** Back to the Future **12.50** Flying Classroom **13.30** Cartoons **14.05** Casper and Friends **14.30** Piggsburg Pigs **15.05** Silver Hawks **15.30** Growing Pains **16.00** MacGyver **17.00** Kofiko **17.20** Flying Classroom **17.30** Cartoons **18.05** Ninja Turtles **18.30** Three Little Ghosts **19.00** Perfect Strangers **19.30** Neighbors **19.55** Married with Children **20.20** The Simpsons **20.45** All in the Family **21.10** Hunter

■ SECOND SHOWING (6)

22.00 The Go-Between (1971) – drama set at the turn of the century about a 12-year-old boy who carries love letters from a farmer to his friend's sister. Starring Alan Bates, Julie Christie and Michael Redgrave. Harold Pinter adapted the novel by L.P. Hartley. Directed by Joseph Losey (111 mins) **23.55** Forbidden Cargo (1954) – British suspense melodrama about a private investigator trying to catch smugglers from bringing in an assignment of drugs. Starring Nigel Patrick and Elizabeth Sellars

■ DISCOVERY CHANNEL (8)

6.00 Open University: History **11.00** Smithsonian World **12.00** The Savage Strikes Back **13.00** Extra Dimension **14.00** Open University (repeat of morning's programs) **16.00** Smithsonian World **17.00** The Savage Strikes Back **18.00** Open University (repeat of morning's programs) **20.00** Invention **20.30** Festivals of the World **21.00** The Energy Alternative **22.00** Crossing the Line **23.00** Classic Cars **23.30** On Top of the World **00.00** Open University (repeat of morning's programs)

■ SUPER CHANNEL

6.30 NBC News **7.00** Business Headlines **7.30** NBC News **8.00** ITN World News Live **8.15** US Market Wrap **8.30** CNBC Business Report **9.00** ITN World News **9.15** Market Wrap **9.30** NBC News **10.00** Super Shop **11.00** Geraldo **12.00** Disaster Chronicles **12.30** Equal Time **13.00** Today's Business **14.00** Today **14.30** FT Business Today **15.00** Today **15.30** The Money Wheel **18.30** Business Tonight **19.00** Today **20.00** ITN World News Live **20.30** Adventure **21.30** Frontline **22.30** Champions **23.00** ITN World News Live **23.30** The Tonight Show with Jay Leno **00.30** Real Personal

■ STAR PLUS(unconfirmed)

7.30 Neighbors **8.00** Santa Barbara **9.00** The Bold and The Beautiful **9.30** Donahue **10.30** Oprah Winfrey **11.30** Yan Can Cook **12.00** Wind in the Willows **12.30** Papa Beaver's Storytime **13.00** Force Five **13.30** Crossbow **14.00** For Your Entertainment **14.30** Neighbors **15.00** M*A*S*H **15.30** Flying Doctors **16.30** Dynasty **17.30** The Bold and The Beautiful **18.00** Santa Barbara **19.00** The Wonder Years **19.30** Doogie Howser, M.D. **20.00** Moonlighting **21.00** M*A*S*H **21.30** E! For Your Entertainment **22.00** Neighbors **22.30** The Wonder Years **23.00** Doogie Howser, M.D. **23.30** Moonlighting **00.30** Donahue

RADIO

6.05 Waking to Music **9.30** Mozart: symphony no 25 in G minor, K173; Tchaikovsky: sonata no 1 in C sharp minor (Postnikova); Faure: quartet for strings in E minor, op 121**10.30** Haydn: mass no 12 in B flat major; Brahms: piano quartet no 2 in A major, op 26 (Domus quartet); Brahms: piano quartet, op 25 (Bavarian RSO); Berg: Der Wein, concert aria for soprano and orch (Jessye Norman/NYPO/Boulez)**14.06** Encore **16.00** Tchaikovsky: concerto no 2 in G major for piano and orch**18.00** From the Recording Studio – Yuval Rotem (bassoon) Julia Reinschmidt (piano): – Saint Saens: sonata for bassoon and piano, op 168; Hindemith: sonata for bassoon and piano (1958); Brown: melodies for bassoon and piano (1974); Harlap: suite for bassoon and piano (1975)**19.05** Czerny: andante and polka for horn and piano (Barry Sackville, horn; Daniel Blumenthal, piano); Schubert: adagio and rondo concerti in F major for piano and strings, D487 (Domus quartet); Glinka: trio for piano in D minor (Boro trio)**20.03** Palestrina Mirrored in his Time **21.00** A Matter of Agreement **23.00** Golden Generation – works by Beethoven: sonata no 5 in C minor, op 10 (recording: 6.11.1935); sonata no 9 in E major, op 1/14 (recording: 25.3.1932); sonata no 23 in F minor 'appassionata' (recording: 11.4.1933)

■ RADIO 1

6.15 Mishna, Gemara and Tora **7.00** News in English **7.15** News in French **7.30** Hebrew songs **8.05** Roots **9.05** It's Open **10.05** Teleradio **11.05** Finger on the Pulse **12.05** Land of Israel **13.00** News and program in English **13.30** News and program in French **14.05** Youth programs**15.05** Number of Stories**16.05** In the Headlines **17.00** News in English **17.02** News in French **17.05** Popular writers**18.05** Religious programs **20.00** Evening news **20.50** Hazanut **23.05** Presented personally

■ RADIO 2

6.06 This Morning – news **9.05** Popular songs **10.05** It's All Talk **12.05** Midday – news, commentary, music **14.05** Magic Moments **15.05** Foreign Affairs **15.45** Foreign Press **16.05** The Color of Money **17.05** Five After the News **18.05** Today – news & music **19.05** Social Hour **20.05** Hebrew songs **21.05** News headlines **21.15** Hebrew songs **00.05** Midnight Magazine **00.30** Hebrew Songs continued **1.05** Tuesday Night Club **5.05** First Light

■ RADIO 3

Music all day and night

■ REKA

18.00 News in English **18.15** News in French **20.00** News in Russian

■ ARMY RADIO

5.02 Good Morning IDF **6.00** Announcements **6.05** Broadcast University – The Big Bang Theory **6.30** Good Morning Israel **7.15** A New Morning **8.00** Good Morning Israel **9.05** Hebrew in the Morning **10.05** Yes It's Summer**12.50** Today's Entertainment **13.00** Midday News **13.15** The Heatwave Is Over **15.05** Someone to Talk To **16.00** An Hour Before **17.00** Good Evening Israel **18.05** Economics **18.30** End of the day**20.00** Evening news **20.30** The Heart of the Matter **21.05** Program with Neviya Anav**22.05** Personal Conversation**23.05** This Was the Day **00.15** Night Birds **2.00** We Don't Want to Sleep

■ ARMY ON WHEELS

7.05 The State on the Way **9.05** Hebrew songs **11.05** Sun **13.05** Air Conditioning **14.05** Summer Seeds **15.05** Program with Dubi Lentz **16.05** Driving Wisely **18.05** Program with Lea Oz **20.05** Drive In **22.05** Good Night

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6 A heroic tale presented in black-and-white pictures (4)
10 The manual worker down-under (5)
11 A shabby fellow bearing with tribulation and triumph (9)
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13 Little beast retiring—with back-up (5)
15 Account long hair essential for a woman in the theatre (7)
17 From Castile originally, so tolerant (7)
19 Falling in behind the head of state, the top man (7)
21 Distracted caterer getting run over (7)
22 Zero should appear here (5)
24 Everybody turned to Edward, as intended (8)
27 A game American fighter—a good man—a champion (9)
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Labor agrees to Yi'ud demand for referendum before ceding territory

SARAH HONIG

LABOR yesterday agreed to a demand by the three-member Yi'ud faction that any ceding of territory be first put to a national referendum, Labor Knesset faction head Eli Dayan said, after the two parties held their first coalition negotiating session.

According to Dayan, there was also a promise to admit Yi'ud MK Gad Segev to the inner cabinet on security. He said yesterday's session had made "considerable progress."

Segev, however, said it "will be more meetings yet before Yi'ud agreement is finalized." MK Esther Salmovitz said that nothing much happened at the meeting. *We started reading* our list of demands and even get to all of them. Any sort of a deal is still far off."

Labor, however, is already gripped with speculation about which portfolio might go to Segev. Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin is willing to let him have Energy, now in the hands of Moshe Shahal, but the latter refuses to yield it unless he is compensated with the Interior Ministry, which is still being held open for Shas.

Segev is said to have his eye on the Agriculture portfolio, but Rabin is loathe to remove it from his ally Ya'acov Tsur, whom he invited to join the cabinet though he is not an MK.

The sides will meet again *tomorrow*.

Meanwhile, Dayan's report on the referendum agreement sparked an angry reaction from Meretz, which warned Rabin that it will strenuously oppose any deal that does not strictly conform to the existing coalition guidelines.

The government is thus far only committed to holding a referendum on the Golan Heights, should an agreement with Syria be concluded.

"We did not oppose co-opting these MKs into the coalition up to now, but that does not mean that we will agree to their admission no matter what the conditions," Environment Minister Yossi Sarid said. The coalition *agreement* between Meretz and Labor allows Meretz to veto the entrance of any other faction into the coalitions.

Meretz will not back an agreement with Yi'ud "If it should transpire that the agreement hampers the government's ability to vigorously pursue its present peace policy," Sarid said.

"If, as Dayan claims, Yi'ud was indeed promised such a wholesale referendum, then we will certainly have something to say about it. We have managed very well in the coalition thus far without Yi'ud and odds are that this government will survive very well without it in future," he added.

Yi'ud's three MKs cannot, in any case, provide the Labor-Meretz coalition with the Knesset majority it seeks, as the coalition now commands only 56 out of the 120 seats.



Anton Suchinski, 89, of Ukraine displays the certificate awarded him yesterday by Yad Vashem for saving Jews during World War II. Suchinski prepared a hiding place under his house where he hid four members of the Zeiger family and two others from the Nazis for more than a year. Eva Adler (right) and Zipora Schindelheim, two of those he saved, helped to locate him and to bring him to Jerusalem for the ceremony. (Isaac Harari)

Ram, Labor Histadrut coalition guidelines almost completed

MICHAL YUDELMAN

THE Ram and Labor teams negotiating the Histadrut coalition agreement yesterday came to terms on almost all the guidelines for the operation of the Histadrut, but avoided controversy by not dealing with the sticky issue of the allocation of senior positions.

The two joint teams – one in charge of guidelines and the other of organization and positions – began marathon meetings yesterday morning, in an effort to reach a coalition agreement by the end of the week. The Histadrut convention, at which leadership is to be transferred to Ram leader MK Haim Ramon, is scheduled for next week.

The team dealing with organization and positions left the issue of positions for a later meeting. It did reach agreement on several other matters, including the appointment of a parity committee to resolve issues in dispute and the establishment of a joint team to debate the matter of the organization tax.

Both sides also agreed to compromise on the questions of the size of the executive bureau, executive committee and Histadrut council.

There was speculation yesterday that certain Labor ministers intended to ask outgoing Histadrut Secretary-General Haim Haberfeld to resign in return for a diplomatic or other senior post, given that Ramon remains adamantly opposed to his holding a senior position in the labor federation. Haberfeld, however, did not show up for a meeting of Labor ministers last night, to which he was presumably invited for this purpose.

MK Amir Peretz, who is on the team dealing with the guidelines, said yesterday that his faction and Labor are in agreement about 95% of the issues and expect to conclude the negotiations by tomorrow. He said only four points remain in dispute:

- The affinity between the Histadrut and Kupat Holim Clalit: Labor insists that the coalition agreement state clearly that the Histadrut owns Kupat Holim, while Ram wants the agreement to say only that the Histadrut is responsible for the health fund and its members.
- The Hanoar Haoved youth movement: Labor wants it to remain the only, or at least the preferred youth movement sponsored by the Histadrut, while Ram wants the Histadrut to open its doors to others, such as Mapam's Hashomer Hatza'ir.
- Trade unions and staff committees: Ram wants the heads of the unions and works committees to be elected via primaries, while Labor supports elections based on a factional or partisan formula.
- The Zussman Report on the pension system in the civil service: Ram wants to implement the report, while Labor wants to reconsider some of its recommendations, since there is a controversy over them among the trade unions.

MK Gutman accuses Moledet leader Ze'evi of various crimes

DAN IZENBERG

MOLEDET MK Shaul Gutman accused party leader Rehavam Ze'evi of signing a false protocol to cheat the Education Ministry of funding, of wiretapping his phone, and employing an ex-Mossad official who forges signatures.

Gutman was addressing the Knesset house committee on Ze'evi's appeal for the committee to rule that Gutman had demonstrated by his actions that he had quit the three-man faction.

Ze'evi angrily denied the charges. "They are all lies," he said, and described Gutman as a "parasite who will not let go of the party."

Gutman also accused Ze'evi of concealing the party's aim of "transferring" the Arab population for fear that the registrar of political parties would otherwise disqualify it.

He charged Ze'evi with "political cowardice," accusing him of deleting the "transfer" provision from the declaration of party principles and guidelines submitted to the registrar of political parties.

"It cannot be that a party abandons its principles," he told the committee. "It was Ze'evi who quit the party, not me."

Gutman charged that the party elite – including Zvi Shiloah, Yair Sprinzak, Miriam Lapid and Ze'ev Caruz – had quit because of Ze'evi.

He also argued that Paragraph 6 of the Basic Law: Knesset stipulates that the house committee may only rule that an MK has quit his faction if he votes in a no-confidence vote contrary to faction instructions and receives personal benefits in return for his action.

"The committee has no leeway on the matter," said Gutman. "It has to see whether the conditions set down in the law have been fulfilled. If not, it must rule that the MK has not quit his faction."

MK Porush bids farewell to Knesset after 35 years

DAN IZENBERG

AGUDAT Yisrael MK Menahem Porush delivered his last speech to the plenum yesterday, winding up 35 years of service in the Knesset.

Porush and MK Shmuel Halpert are to be replaced tomorrow by Moshe Gafni and Avraham Verdiger.

Porush said he had been sent to the Knesset by the leaders of the Council of Torah Sages in Israel and the US "to maintain the Independent [Agudat Yisrael] educational stream and to save tens of thousands of Jewish children."

"After 35 years I can lift my hands to the sky and tell the supremely holy ones in heaven: I have fulfilled your mission. All those 35 years, without letup, at every opportunity, with all my might, heart, and soul, I have worked for the survival of the Independent education stream, the haredi elementary schools, and the yeshivot and to eliminate the blatant discrimination against us. I can write breathtaking accounts of our fight, how we succeeded in sustaining the Torah and educational institutions, as is evident in every budget during those 35 years."

Among his achievements, Porush mentioned that he had obtained welfare payments of NIS 633 per month for married yeshiva students.

Porush also settled some old political accounts, including his support for Shimon Peres's abortive attempt to form a government in 1990.

"Had it worked, the London Plan with King Hussein would have been implemented and we would not have come to this embarrassing situation with Arafat," said Porush.

He also criticized former prime minister Yitzhak Shamir for not continuing Menachem Begin's policy towards the haredim.

Porush boasted that, in all his years in the Knesset, he had not initiated a single law, "but I fought and prevented the passage of anti-religious legislation. I may not have passed laws, but there was not a single budget throughout the 35 years I served in which I did not manage to eliminate discriminatory moves against Torah and educational institutions."

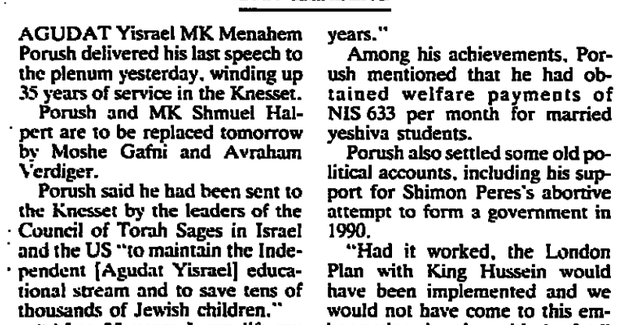
Tsomet Party primaries postponed

SARAH HONIG

TSOMET voters were to have cast their ballots today in their party primaries, but the Tel Aviv District Court issued an injuction barring the holding of the vote as scheduled.

No new date has been fixed and the court will convene again on July 11 to deliberate the matter.

The injunction was handed down at the request of party members Martin Sherman and Ran Carmi, who called attention to irregularities in the organizing of the internal party elections. They also argued that not enough time was given to prepare for the primaries.



Midnight Music Extravaganza, Arutz 7, 711 AM at 12:00 a.m.

